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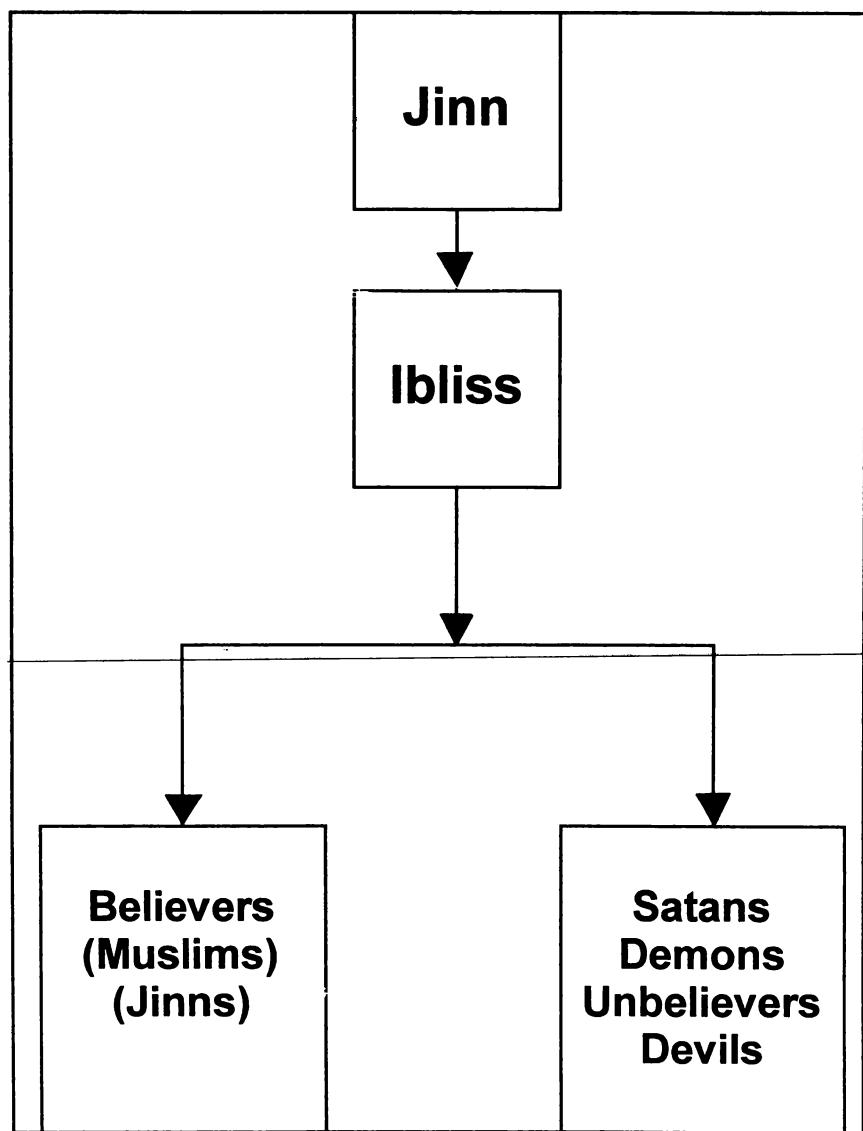


Fig. 1 - Origin of Satans

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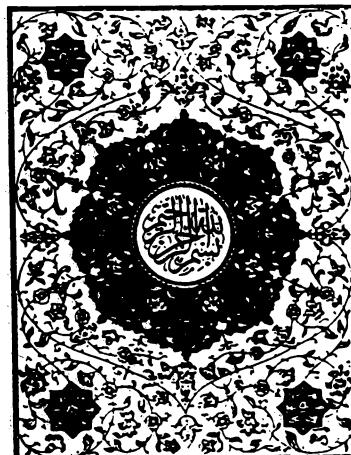
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Supplication

دُعَاءٌ

Du‘a’

O Allah! I seek refuge in You from anxiety and grief; I seek refuge in You from incapacity and laziness; and I seek refuge in You from overcoming of debts and overpower of people.

O Allah! I seek refuge in You from poverty except to You, from humiliation except for You, and from fear except from You.

O Allah! I seek refuge in You from false testimony, or committing immorality, or provoking You; and I seek refuge in You from malice of the enemies, and from enigmatic disease, and from the despair of hope.

O Allah! I seek refuge in You from the wicked people, from the worries of the livelihood, and from the ill-nature.

O Allah! You are the Mercy of the mercies, and You are the Lord of the universe.

Ya Allah
Allahumma Ameen

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Qur'an On Jinns

وَإِذْ صَرَقْنَا إِلَيْكُمْ نَفَرًا مِّنَ الْجِنِّ يَسْتَمِعُونَ^١ الْقُرْءَانَ فَلَمَّا
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٣٠ يَنْقُومُونَا أَجِبُوا دَاعِيَ اللَّهِ وَأَمْنُوا بِهِ يَغْفِرُ لَكُمْ مِّنْ
ذُنُوبِكُمْ وَلَا يَحِرُّكُمْ مِّنْ عَذَابِ أَلِيمٍ
٣١ وَمَنْ لَا يُحِبُّ دَاعِيَ اللَّهِ
فَلَيَسْ بِمُعَجِّزٍ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَيَسْ لَهُ مِنْ دُونِهِ أُولَئِكَ
فِي ضَلَالٍ مُّبِينٍ
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Behold, We turned towards you a company of Jinns (quietly) listening to the Qur'an: When they stood in the presence thereof, they said, "Listen in silence!" When the (reading) was finished, they returned to their people, to warn them. They said, "O our people! We have heard a Book revealed after Moses, confirming what came before it: it guides to the truth and to a straight path. O our people, hearken to the one who invites (you) to Allah, and believe in him: He will forgive you your faults, and deliver you from a chastisement grievous. If any does not hearken to the one who invites (us) to Allah, he cannot escape in the earth, and no protectors can he have besides Allah: such are in manifest error. [Qur'an, 46:29-32]

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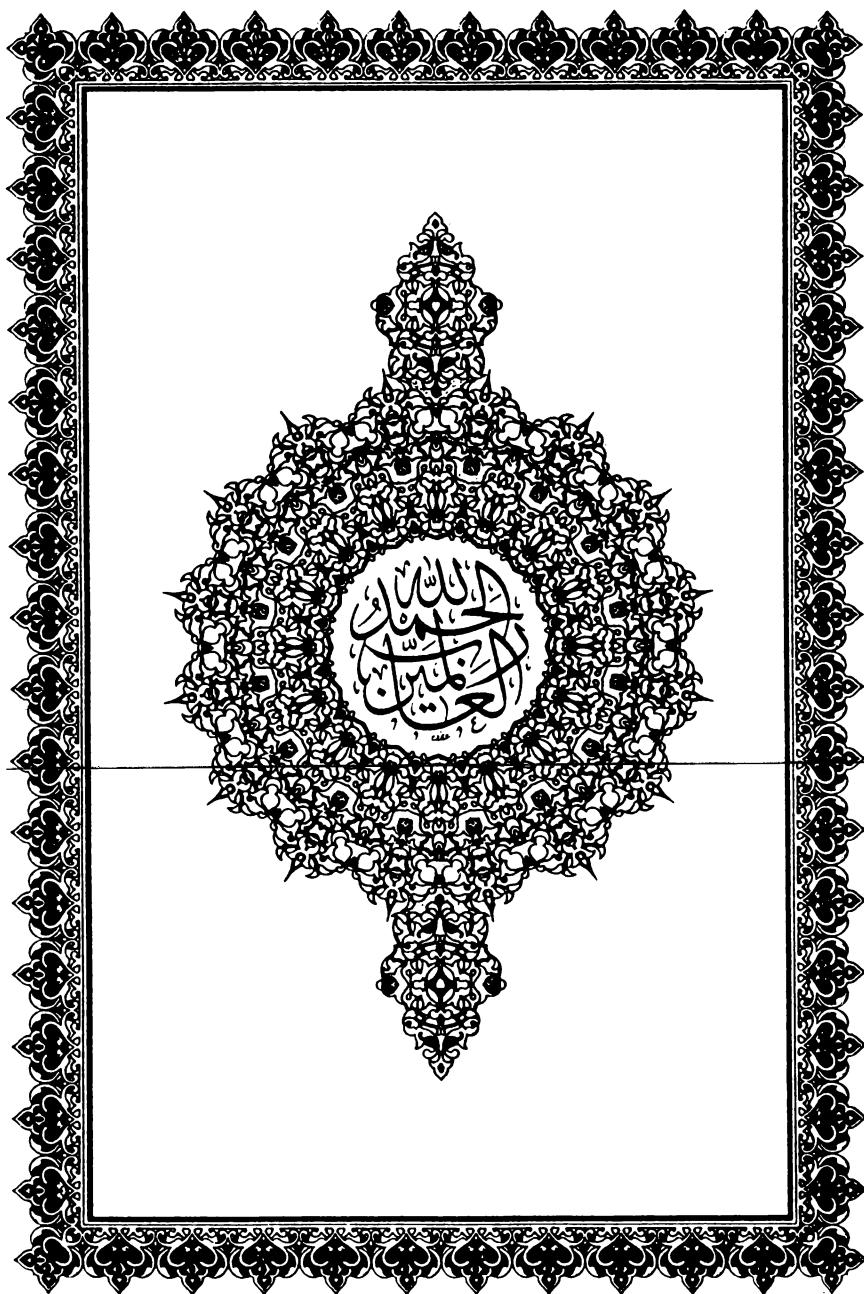
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Praise be to Allah, the Lord of the worlds.

Introduction

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونَ ﴿٥٦﴾

I have only created Jinns and men, that they may serve Me. [Qur'an 51:56]

The most difficult subject for an author to write about would be Jinns. Are they called ghosts, jinns, jinnies, spirits, satans (shaitans), demons, or are they creatures? or what? Are they the ones that scare people, haunt them, and possess them, as well as their houses? Are they the ones who are ready to help, and get ~~information as well as any item one needs from anywhere in the world?~~ Are they the ones who harm people? Is it true they steal information from the upper orbits? Are they the ones who can foretell the future?

More questions are to be posed here:

- ☞ What do they look like?
- ☞ How can we see them?
- ☞ If we wish to see them, would they hurt us or what?
- ☞ How can we get rid of them from around us and inside our houses?
- ☞ How can we rid ourselves and our houses from them?

It is not fair that they see us and we cannot see them. If they are our enemies, why should we allow them to be with us? If they are our enemies, how can we make a treaty with them and try to live peacefully with them? If they are the children of the Big Satan (Ibliss) the outcast, how do they eat, sleep, marry, and get children?

There are so many tales, stories and personal experiences narrated by a large number of individuals about jinns. Some of them were scary, horrible, and hard to believe. Other stories are so nice and good, but also hard to believe.

In this book the author wishes to present the Islamic point of view about jinns from the Qur'an, and the Sunnah of the Prophet. It should be stated here that there are two groups of jinns: Those who believe, and those who do not. The first group accepts the message of Islam revealed to Prophet Muhammad the latter group are the Satanic ones, the mischievous, and the real trouble makers.

Some of the major subjects discussed in this book are:

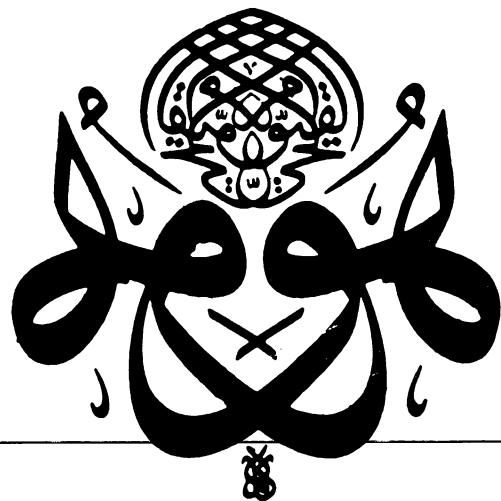
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- ☞ Tree of Zaqqoom
- ☞ Muslim Jinns

Few other subjects are also discussed in this book. In so doing, ~~the author wishes that such information will be useful to Muslims and non-Muslims at the same time.~~ This information will dispel all types of wrong assumptions that have been transcended (without any solid foundation or proof), from generation to generation.

Finally, the author does not claim that he is an authority on this subject, nor does he claim that he covered all related aspects. More research is to be conducted on this neglected subject taking into consideration objectivity, and the true information from the true sources of literature.

We pray to Allah to accept our humble efforts; and to forgive us for our short comings.



*"... He (Allah) is the Living, the Self-subsisting,
Supporter of all..."* (Qur'an, 2:255)

Terminology

‘Arraf

It is an Arabic word to mean a diviner and a fortuneteller. The female of ‘arraf is ‘arrafa. However, a similar word ‘arafa means divination, fortunetelling or even fortuneteller’s trade.

A fortuneteller relies on jinns to bring him news and information about the future. Most of the time they bring news which are partially true. While the jinns are trying to steal the informations from outside this orbit, they are killed by the ember of the meteorites. Never ever an ‘arraf is a true fortuneteller. His final life is usually miserable due to his reliance on jinns who will harm him.

Ibliss

This is an Arabic word mentioned in the Qur'an 11 times. The other Qur'anic words are:

☞ Yublisu. It is a verb in the present tense. To be struck dumb with despair. It is mentioned in the Qur'an once in Surah Al-Room:

وَيَوْمَ تَقُومُ أَلْسَانُهُمْ بِإِبْلِيسِ الْمُجْرِمُونَ ﴿١٢﴾

On the day that the hour will be established, the guilty will be struck dumb with despair. (Qur'an, 30:12)

☞ **Mubliseen.** It is the object in the plural sense of mubliss. It means that people are plunged in despair. It is mentioned in the Qur'an in Surah Al-Room:

وَإِنْ كَانُوا مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ يُنْزَلَ عَلَيْهِمْ مِنْ قَبْلِهِ لَمُبْلِسِينَ ﴿٤٩﴾

Even though, before they received (the rain) -- just before this -- they were dumb with despair!
 (Qur'an, 30:49)

☞ **Mublisoon.** It is the subject of the verb Ablasa and it is in the plural form of mubliss. It is mentioned 3 times in the Qur'an (6:44), (23:77) and (43:75):

فَلَمَّا

نَسُوا مَا ذُكِرُوا بِهِ فَتَحْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ أَبْوَابَ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ

حَتَّىٰ إِذَا فِرِحُوا بِمَا أُوتُوا أَخْذَنَاهُمْ بَغْتَةً فَإِذَا هُمْ مُبْلِسُونَ ﴿٧٧﴾

But when they forgot the warning they had received, We opened to them the gates of all (good) things until, in the midst of their enjoyment of our gifts, on a sudden, We called them to account, when lo! They were plunged in despair! (Qur'an, 6 :44)

حَتَّىٰ إِذَا فَتَحْنَا عَلَيْهِمْ بَأْذَانَ شَدِيدَهِ

إِذَا هُمْ فِيهِ مُبْلِسُونَ ﴿٧٥﴾

Until We open on them a gate leading to a severe punishment: then lo! They will be plunged in despair therein! (Qur'an, 23:77)

لَا يَقْرَأُ عَنْهُمْ وَهُمْ فِيهِ مُبْلِسُونَ
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Nowise will the (punishment) be lightened for them, and in despair will they be there overwhelmed. (Qur'an, 43:75)

Therefore, the meaning of the word Ibliss is that he was the first creature of jinns. He can be considered to be the father of all the jinns. In contrast one can correlate this creature in a similar way to the first creature of mankind, namely Adam. The Qur'an is full of information about this particular creature who insisted to disobey Allah and did not apologize for his mistakes. He was thrown out of Paradise and became enemy to Adam and to his descendants.

'Ifreet

It is a Qur'anic word mentioned only once in Surah Al-Naml (The Ant, 27:39). It means a demons or devil. The plural of which is 'afareet. The meaning is malicious, mischievous, sly, cunning, crafty, wily, afreet, imp, and devil.

Jinn

It is an Arabic word which refers to the invisible creatures that were created from fire. They are either harmful or helpful. They interfere with the lives of the mortals. The word jinn has been mentioned in the Qur'an 51 times in different forms such as:

☞ Janna (6:76): To cover, hide, conceal, to become dark and night. The other meanings are to become possessed, insane, mad and crazy.

☞ Jaann (Al-Jaann): This word is found 7 times in the Qur'an. It refers to jinns and demons.

☞ Al-Jinn: The invisible beings. Some became believing Muslims while others refused and stayed as unbelievers. The first group is good and helpful, while the later group is mischievous, demons and harmful. This word has been mentioned in the Qur'an 22 times. The female of jinn is jinniyah.

☞ Jannah: This is an Arabic word mentioned in the Qur'an 10 times. The group as a whole of jinns is called jannah. It also may mean possessed by jinns.

☞ Majnoon: A person who became insane, possessed, crazy and mad. This word has been mentioned in the Qur'an 11 times.

Kaahin

The word kaahin means a fortuneteller. The Arabic root for this word is the verb of kahana and takah-hana. It means to predict and to tell the future. Kaahin has another meaning too. A priest is known as a kahin, the plural of which is kahanah or kuh-haan.

Munajjim

It is an Arabic word which means astrologer, and its synonym is najjam. The plural of munajjim is munajjumoon.

Shaitan

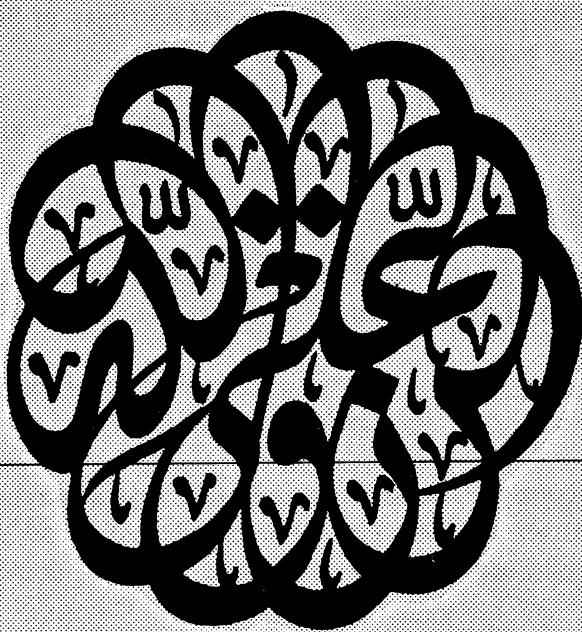
It is an Arabic word seen in the Qur'an 138 times in four different forms:

- ☞ **Ash-shaitan**: This word is found 68 times in the Qur'an. It means that particular satan, devil or fiend.
- ☞ **Shaitaanann**: It is found in the Qur'an twice and it means a particular satan who sneaks around people to distract them from the straight way.
- ☞ **Ash-shayateen**: It is found in the Qur'an 67 times. It is the plural form of ash-shaitan.
- ☞ **Shayaateenihim**: It is found once in the Qur'an; it reflects the possessive form of shaitan in its plural form.

- ☞ **Shaitaanee**: Sometimes it is said that a person acts in the same manner as a shaitan. He is referred to as shaitaanee or called shaitaanee which means satanic, devilish, demonic, hellish, etc.



"And hold firmly together to
God's rope and do not separate"
—Qur'an



Provision is from Allah.

Adam and Ibliss

وَإِذْ قُلْنَا لِلْمَلَائِكَةَ اسْجُدُوا
 لِأَدَمَ فَسَجَدُوا إِلَّا إِبْلِيسَ كَانَ مِنَ الْجِنِّ فَفَسَقَ عَنْ أَمْرِ رَبِّهِ
 أَفْتَخِذُونَهُ وَدُرِّيَتْهُ أَوْلِيَّكُمْ مِنْ دُونِ وَهُمْ لَكُمْ عَدُوٌّ
 يُشَّـلـِّظـِلـِيمـِينـ بـَدـَلـَ



Behold! We said to the angels, "Prostrate to Adam." They prostrated except Ibliss. He was one of the Jinns, and he broke the command of his Lord. Will you then take him and his progeny as protectors rather than Me? And they are enemies to you! Evil would be the exchange for the wrong-doers! [Qur'an, 18:50]

The relationship of Adam and Ibliss is that of two different creatures. The former was blessed by Allah while the latter was cursed, and cast out. The first made a mistake, and then apologized to Allah, and was forgiven. Ibliss was arrogant and did not apologize. Being arrogant, and argumentative he refused to be humble, and refused to apologize. Accordingly, he was blamed, cursed and was cast out from the mercy of Allah.

The early information about these two creatures is taken directly from the Qur'an. After Adam was created, Allah ordered the angels, and the other creatures, to prostrate to Adam. All obeyed Allah except Ibliss. The best explanation of this situation is found in the Qur'an in Surah Al-Baqarah (The Cow) where Allah says:

وَإِذْ قَالَ رَبُّكَ لِلْمَلَائِكَةِ إِنِّي جَاعِلٌ فِي الْأَرْضِ خَلِيفَةً
 قَالُوا أَتَجْعَلُ فِيهَا مَن يُفْسِدُ فِيهَا وَيَسْفِكُ الْدِمَاءَ وَنَحْنُ
 نُسَبِّحُ بِحَمْدِكَ وَنُقَدِّسُ لَكَ قَالَ إِنِّي أَعْلَمُ مَا لَا تَعْلَمُونَ
 ۚ وَعَلَمَ آدَمَ الْأَسْمَاءَ كُلَّهَا ثُمَّ عَرَضَهُمْ عَلَى الْمَلَائِكَةِ
 فَقَالَ أَنْبِئُنِي بِاسْمَاءِ هَؤُلَاءِ إِنْ كُنْتُ صَادِقِينَ ۚ قَالُوا
 سُبْحَانَكَ لَا عِلْمَ لَنَا إِلَّا مَا عَلَمْتَنَا إِنَّكَ أَنْتَ الْعَلِيمُ الْحَكِيمُ
 ۚ قَالَ يَقْعَدُمُ أَنْتُهُمْ بِاسْمَاءِهِمْ فَلَمَّا أَنْبَأَهُمْ بِاسْمَاءِهِمْ قَالَ
 اللَّهُ أَعْلَمُ لَكُمْ إِنِّي أَعْلَمُ غَيْبَ السَّمَاوَاتِ وَالْأَرْضِ وَأَعْلَمُ مَا
 يُبَدُّونَ وَمَا كُنْتُمْ تَكْنُونُ ۚ وَإِذْ قُلْنَا لِلْمَلَائِكَةِ اسْجُدُوا
 لِآدَمَ فَسَجَدُوا إِلَّا إِبْلِيسَ أَبَى وَاسْتَكَبَ وَكَانَ مِنَ الْكَافِرِينَ

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Behold, your Lord said to the angels: "I will create a vicegerent on earth." They said: "Will you place therein one who will make mischief therein and shed blood? - While we do celebrate Your praises and glorify Your holy (name)?" He said: "I know what you know not." And He taught Adam the names of all things; then He placed them before the angels, and said: "Tell Me the names of these if you are right." They said: Glory to You of knowledge we have none, save what you Have taught us: in truth it is You Who are perfect in knowledge and wisdom." He said: "O Adam! Tell them their names." When he had told them, Allah said: "Did I not tell you that I know the secrets of heaven and earth, and I know

what you reveal and what you conceal?" And behold, We said to the angels: "Bow down to Adam." And they bowed down; Not so Ibliss; he refused and was haughty. He was of those who reject faith. [Qur'an, 2:30-34]

The relation between Ibliss and Adam became tense. Jealousy started from Ibliss against Adam, and his wife Eve. Ibliss could not tolerate to see Adam in a higher position. He tried to find the loop holes in the personality of Adam and Eve. He was able to recognize that Adam and Eve were instructed by Allah to enjoy paradise, and to refrain from one tree. He used his sneaking approach towards them. He started whispering to them, enticing them to taste that tree in order to stay eternally in paradise. Adam, and his wife forgot what Allah instructed them. Therefore, they fell into the trap of Shaitan (Satan).

In Surah Taha, Allah reveals such type of information:

وَقَدْ عَاهَنَا ١١٤

إِلَيْهِ أَدَمَ مِنْ قَبْلُ فَنَسِيَ وَلَمْ يَحْذِلْهُ عَزِيزًا ١١٥

We had already, beforehand taken the covenant of Adam, but he forgot, and We found on his part no firm resolve. [Qur'an, 20:115]

Unfortunately, Adam and Eve ate from that prohibited tree and accordingly their private organs were exposed. They tried to cover themselves with the leaves of paradise. They felt ashamed of themselves. Such information is revealed in the Qur'an in many places. In Surah Al-A'raaf (the Heights), Allah says the following:

فُوْسَوسٌ

لَهُمَا الشَّيْطَنُ لِيُبَدِّي لَهُمَا مَا وُرِيَ عَنْهُمَا مِنْ سَوْءَاتِهِمَا وَقَالَ
 مَا هَنَّ كَارِبُكُمَا عَنْ هَذِهِ الشَّجَرَةِ إِلَّا أَنْ تَكُونَا مَلَكِيْنِ أَوْ تَكُونَا
 مِنَ الْخَلِيلِينَ ﴿٢٠﴾ وَقَاسِمُهُمَا إِنِّي لِكُمَا لِيْنَ أَنْتَصِحِيرٌ

Then began Satan to whisper suggestions to them in order to reveal to them their shame that was hidden from them (before): he said: "Your Lord only forbade you this tree, lest you should become angels or such beings as live forever." And he swore to them both, that he was their sincere adviser. [Qur'an, 7:20-21]

It should be stated here that Allah did not inform us about the type of tree. It is the apple tree or the tree of knowledge as some Christians quote the Bible says, referring to it as "the tree of knowledge;" others refer to it as "the forbidden tree." The Muslims refer to it as "a tree." It cannot be "the tree of knowledge" because Allah taught Adam all the knowledge that he should know. Also, the first revelation of Allah to Prophet Muhammad was about reading and seeking knowledge.

However, in Surah Taha, Allah reveals that both Adam and Eve, after eating from that tree, they became aware of their body and their private organs being exposed. They felt shame and remorse. Adam, hence, disobeyed Allah and committed a mistake. The Qur'an states the following:

فُوْسَوسٌ إِلَيْهِ
 أَلَّا شَيْطَانٌ قَالَ يَتَأَدَّمُ هَلْ أَدُلُّكَ عَلَى شَجَرَةِ الْخَلْدِ وَمُلَكٍ
 لَا يَبْلَأَ ﴿٢١﴾

فَأَكَلَا مِنْهَا فَبَدَتْ لَهُمَا سَوْءَةٌ تُهْمَا وَطِفْقَا
 يَخْصِفَانِ عَلَيْهِمَا مِنْ وَرْقِ الْجَنَّةِ وَعَصَى إِذْ أَدْرِيْهُ فَغُوْنَى

But Satan whispered evil to him. He said, "O Adam! Shall I lead you to the Tree of Eternity and to a kingdom that never decays?" In the result, they both ate of the tree, and so their nakedness appeared to them; they began to sew together, for their covering, leaves from the garden. Thus did Adam disobey his Lord, and allow himself to be seduced. [Qur'an, 20:120-121]

Therefore, it is not Eve who committed the mistake and it was not she who pushed her husband to eat from that tree. She was not the cause to be expelled with her husband from Paradise. She was not the source of evil. The source of evil was satan himself.

However, while both Adam and Eve made a mistake, they were humble enough to apologize to Allah. They asked for His forgiveness. Allah, with His ultimate mercy, gave them forgiveness. Allah says in Surah Al-Baqarah (The Cow) about such forgiveness the following:

فَلَقَقَ إِدَمُ مِنْ رَبِّهِ كَلِمَتٍ فَنَابَ عَلَيْهِ إِنَّهُ هُوَ النَّوَّابُ الْرَّحِيمُ

Then learned Adam from his Lord words of inspiration, and his Lord turned towards him; for He is Oft-Returning, Most Merciful. [Qur'an, 2:37]

Hence there is no original sin to be carried with them. Such concept is not acceptable by Islam at all. Accordingly, there is no need for a savior to be crucified to wipe out our sins. Moreover, there is no need for confession, nor for baptism. Every human being is born pure and innocent of any mistakes or sin from his own parents or from other people. If after the age of puberty a person commits a mistake, it is then recorded against him. However, there are rules and regulations for wiping out one's own mistakes. Allah has already guided us to ask Him directly for His forgiveness, on the condition that we are honest, sincere, and that we will not repeat the very same mistake with ill intention. We must also take the initiative to do good before it is too late. In Surah Al- Furqan (The Criterion), Allah says the following:

إِلَّا مَنْ تَابَ وَأَمَنَ وَعَمِلَ عَمَلاً صَالِحًا
فَأُولَئِكَ يُبَدِّلُ اللَّهُ سَيِّعَاتِهِمْ حَسَنَتِي وَكَانَ اللَّهُ غَفُورًا

رَبِّيْمَا

Unless he repents, believes and works righteous deeds, for Allah will change the evil of such persons into good, and Allah is Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful. [Qur'an, 25:70]

Allah demanded from both groups (Ibliss on one side, Adam and Eve on the other), to come down to this earth, and make their own way. At the same time Allah informed both parties that as of that time they were to be enemies to one another. Their animosity is to stay till the Day of Judgement. Allah warned Adam, Eve and their offsprings to be careful from the wickedness and whispering of Ibliss and his offsprings.

Although Shaitan and his offsprings are enemies to Adam and mankind, one has to realize here that guidance is being given by

Allah to all those who seek it. If the whole world including all mankind and the Jinns have joined together to harm someone, they will never ever be able to do so. Allah says in Surah Al-Baqarah (The Cow) the following:

قُلْنَا أَهْبِطُوا مِنْهَا جَمِيعًا فَإِمَّا يَأْتِيَنَّكُم مِّنْ هُدًى فَمَنْ تَبَعَ
هُدًى إِلَيْهِ فَلَا خَوْفٌ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا هُمْ يَحْزُنُونَ
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We said, "Get you down all from here. And if, as is sure, there comes to you guidance from Me, whosoever follows My guidance, on them shall be no fear, nor shall they grieve. [Qur'an, 2:38]

Moreover, Allah informed us in the following Ayat in Surah Taha about His forgiveness, His demand from them to come down to the planet earth, the animosity of Shaitan to mankind, and the guidance of Allah to those who seek it:

ثُمَّ أَجْنَبَهُ رَبُّهُ فَنَابَ عَلَيْهِ وَهَدَىٰ ﴿١١﴾ قَالَ أَهْبِطُهُ مِنْهَا
 جَمِيعًا بَعْضُكُمْ لِبَعْضٍ عَدُوٌّ فَإِمَّا يَأْتِنَّكُم مِّنْ هُدًى
 فَمَنْ تَبَعَ هُدًى إِلَيْهِ فَلَا يَضُلُّ وَلَا يَشْفَقُ ﴿١٢﴾ وَمَنْ أَعْرَضَ عَنْ
 ذِكْرِي فَإِنَّ لَهُ مَعِيشَةً ضَنْكاً وَنَحْشُرُهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ
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 أَعْنَى

But his Lord chose him (for His Grace). He turned to him, and gave him guidance. He said, "Get you down, both of you -- all together, from the garden, with enmity one to another; but if, as is sure, there comes to you guidance from Me, whosoever follows My guidance, will not lose his way, nor fall into misery. "But whosoever turns away from My Message, verily for him is a life narrowed down, and We shall raise him up blind on the Day of Judgement." [Qur'an, 20:122-124]

The sad story is that Shaitan and his offsprings have already waged a militant war against Adam and his offsprings. Such a war does exist and will continue to exist till the Day of Judgement. On the other hand Adam and his offsprings were told about the enmity of Shaitan and his offsprings. However, many people did not take it seriously and they fell into the plots and traps of these creatures.

It is unfortunate that Adam and Eve did not work hard to convince Shaitan and his offsprings to apologize to Allah and become Muslims. It was only Prophet Muhammad who convinced his Shaitan to become a Muslim. Also, we will be able to recognize that some offsprings of Jinns became Muslims during the days of the Prophet, by listening to the recitation of the Holy Qur'an.



Curse on Ibliss

قال ﴿٢٣﴾

فَأَخْرُجْ مِنْهَا فَإِنَّكَ رَجِيمٌ ﴿٢٤﴾ وَإِنَّ عَلَيْكَ اللَّعْنَةَ إِلَى يَوْمِ

الَّذِينَ ﴿٢٥﴾

Allah said: "Then get you out from here; for you are rejected, accursed. And the curse shall be on you till the Day of Judgement." [Qur'an, 15:34-35]

Allah demanded from the angels and all other creatures (Jinns) in the upper heaven to prostrate to Adam. They did obey Allah, except Ibliss who refused. Allah asked him as to why he was not prostrating. His answer was that he was created from fire while Adam was created from clay. He believed he was a better creature, and indeed he said it to Allah that he was better than Adam.

By refusing to prostrate, by being argumentative, and not to ask forgiveness from Allah, he was blamed and cursed. Allah denounced him and banished him from paradise; he will never ever receive the mercy and blessing of Allah. While in Surah Al-Hijr (Rocky Tract) Ibliss was cursed by Allah; also, in Surah Saad Ibliss was cursed. Allah says the following:

قال فَأَخْرُجْ مِنْهَا فَإِنَّكَ رَجِيمٌ ﴿٧٧﴾ وَإِنَّ عَلَيْكَ لَعْنَتِي إِلَى يَوْمِ

الَّذِينَ ﴿٧٨﴾

(Allah) said: "Then get you out from here for you are rejected, accursed. And My curse shall be on you till the Day of Judgement." [Qur'an, 38:77-78]

Being cursed he had to seek revenge from his opponents (Adam and Eve). In this respect the Qur'an states in Surah Al-Nisaa' (The Women):

لَعْنَةُ اللَّهِ وَقَالَ لَا يَجِدُنَّ
مِنْ عِبَادِكَ نَصِيبًا مَّفْرُوضًا

Allah did curse him, But he said: "I will take of your servants a portion marked off." [Qur'an, 4:118]

The type and dimension of revenge of Ibliss from Adam, Eve, and their children will be discussed later.

It should be stated here that whoever follows Satan will also receive the curse of Allah. The Qur'an states a group of people who received or will receive the curse of Allah. The word curse in Arabic is *La'nah*, the verb of which is *La'ana*. The word *La'nah*, in its different forms, is mentioned in the Qur'an approximately 51 times.

Allah already cursed the following group of people:

☞ The unbelievers

Verily Allah has cursed the unbelievers and prepared for them a blazing fire. (Qur'an, 33:64)

☞ The people of the Sabbath

O you People of the Book! Believe in what We have (now) revealed, confirming what was (already) with you, before We change the face and fame of some (of you) beyond all recognition, and turn them hindwards, or curse them as We

cursed the Sabbath-breakers, for the decision of Allah must be carried out. (Qur'an, 4:47)

☞ The children of Israel (Israelites)

Say: "Shall I point out to you something much worse than this, (as judged) by the treatment it received from Allah? Those who incurred the curse of Allah and His wrath, those of whom some He transformed into apes and swine, those who worshipped Evil -- these are (many times) worse in rank, and far more astray from the even Path!" (Qur'an 5:60)

☞ Those who accuse chaste women

Those who slander chaste women, indiscreet but believing, are cursed in this life and in the Hereafter. For them is a grievous penalty -- on the Day of Judgement when their tongues, their hands, and their feet will bear witness against them as to their actions. (Qur'an, 24:23-24)

☞ Those who spread vices in the society

But those who break the Covenant of Allah, after having plighted their word thereto, and cut asunder those things which Allah has commanded to be joined, and work mischief in the land -- on them is the curse; for them is the terrible home. (Qur'an, 13:25)

☞ Those who transgress limits (zalimeen)

Who does more wrong than those who invent a lie against Allah? They will be turned back to the presence of their Lord, and the witnesses will say, "They are the ones who lied against their Lord! Behold, the curse of Allah is on those who do wrong." (Qur'an, 11:18)

☞ Those who die as disbelievers

Those who reject Faith, and die rejecting, on them is Allah's curse, and the curse of angels, and of all mankind. (Qur'an, 2:161)

☞ Those who are Hypocrites, Polytheists and Mushriks (those who make partners with Allah)

And that He may punish the hypocrites, men and women, and the polytheists, men and women, who imagine an evil opinion of Allah. On them is a round of evil: the wrath of Allah is on them. He has cursed them and got hell ready for them; and evil is it for a destination. (Qur'an, 48:6)

☞ Those who are tyrants

Such were the 'Ad people: They rejected the signs of their Lord and Cherisher; disobeyed His messengers; and followed the command of every powerful, obstinate transgressor. And they were pursued by a curse in this life -- and on the Day of Judgement. Ah! Behold, for the 'Ad rejected their Lord and Cherisher! Ah! Behold, removed (from sight) were 'Ad, the people of Hud. (Qur'an, 11:59-60)

☞ Those who lie

The truth (comes) from your Lord alone; so be not of those who doubt. If anyone disputes in this matter with you, now after (full) knowledge has come to you, say, "Come! Let us gather together -- our sons and your sons, our women and your women, ourselves and yourselves; then let us earnestly pray, and invoke the curse of Allah on those who lie! (Qur'an, 3:60-61)

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Shaitan's Biography

Name: Shaitan Ibn Ibliss; aka friend and advisor to every human being.

Place of Birth: Shaitan's father was born in Paradise, and later on planet earth.

Address: Every human house is his house, and every office is his; he is always around everyone.

How to Reach Shaitan: It is not easy. You have to study about him with specialized individuals in order to reach him. You have to read certain books about Shaitan. You have to pledge and commit yourself to be obedient to him. You have to listen to his advice and his instructions, then and only then can you see him personally in any form or shape you wish.

Relocation: He is constantly ready to be relocated as long as he can find good people to listen to him, and to obey him.

Availability: He is available 24 hours a day for the whole year.

Outlook/Outfit and Appearance: Since he was made out of smoke, and fire, he is not easy to be seen regularly; however, he can appear as a human being, as a ghost, as smoke, as a black dog, as a snake, or many other shapes and forms.

Where to Meet Shaitan:

He can come, and visit you at anytime, with or without appointment. He can enter your office, your house, your bedroom, your washroom, etc., without any permission. He sees you regularly, while you are unaware of that.

Travelling Experience:

He can travel to any part of the world. All what it takes is a few seconds of your precious time. His left foot will be at your disposal, and at the same time his right foot will be at the horizon.

Salesmanship:

Shaitan works as a salesman on behalf of his boss. His commission is the reward he will receive. He needs to sell his commodities.

Best Negotiator:

He is the best negotiator to any and every human being. He goes to his clients, and entice them about the commodities he offers. He comes to them right then left. He comes in front and finally from back. He is experienced with everyone: male or female; young or old; educated or otherwise; religious or agnostic; and even with criminals or innocent people.

Languages:

He knows every language of the world. He is very fluent in them. He can read, understand, speak, and communicate without having any foreign accent. His clients realize that he is part of them in every aspect of life: culture, customs, habits, religion, etc.

Foods:

He does not cost anyone any money for his personal need for foods. He will share the foods with people without allowing them to see him at all. He can eat any and every variety of food irrespective of its taste, aroma or the type of menu. He can eat all types of foods whether people consider it Halal or not. He drinks all varieties of liquids. His best time to eat is when people themselves are eating and especially when they forget to mention the name of Allah. If he is not satisfied, he eats the feces of animals and the bones that are thrown in the garbage can.

Commodities:

Being a creature of salesmanship, he can sell anything to any customers. His commodities are too many to be counted. In the department and grocery stores, there are all types of commodities being sold. Shaitan does not discriminate between Halal and Haram commodities. This is left for those who are naive, ignorant, and uncivilized. He is in the business of convincing others. Shaitan and his offsprings are experts in this field. No one creature on this planet can compete with them. He can demonstrate the use of any commodity, and he can lend it to be tested before buying it, leasing it or even renting it.

General Characteristics of Shaitan

He is a sneaker; he is neck-to-neck with all those individuals who do not remember Allah, with those who do not pray; with those

who do not fast; and with those who do not read Qur'an. He even tries his best to be close to those who believe, to those who pray, fast, and read Qur'an. As a sneaker, he tries to distract their thinking, block their understanding, whisper to them while they are in their religious obligations. As a sneaker, people do not need to see him or to feel his presence with them. So he can talk to them, and they try to talk to themselves. They do not realize that they are talking to him. Hence, he enjoys communicating with them on different subjects, and at different levels. He makes sure that they should be busy with this world; that they should love the glamour of this life; and that they work hard to earn better life through every possible channel. He tries to give them the best answers to their questions.

Shaitan makes sure that people are to understand that everything in this world is Halal. There is nothing called Haram. Allah created everything to be Halal. Allah is Ar-Rahman, Ar-Rahim, Al-Ghafoor, Al-Wadood. He is the Most Merciful and the Ever Merciful. He is the Most forgiving and the Most Gracious. Shaitan can convince anyone with these beautiful names of Allah; and he will make sure that they should not worry about the heavy penalty of Allah. He can convince anyone or you that Allah will never ever penalize you, as long as you believe in Him. Do whatever you want, and Allah will forgive you and He will take care of you because you believe He is the Most Merciful.

Shaitan knows how to entice them to drink all varieties of alcohols, to eat all types of food products, to dance, mix with the opposite sex, get involved in sex, raping, gambling, stealing, heating, lying, cursing, killing, and etc. He knows how to convince people to join the caravan of these activities. He makes sure to polarize these activities as Halal for them. All those who say that such activities are Haram do not know what they are talking about. They do not know how to enjoy life; and they do not know what they are missing. All those who claim that such

activities are Haram, have fabricated these terminologies to forbid people from enjoying life. After all, people are to enjoy life to its maximum. No one should stop anyone from his/her lusts. Otherwise why in the world Allah created them. As long as Allah created this world with all its lust and enjoyment, people should not deny themselves the beauty of this life.

Since Shaitan is a sneaker, he will do his best to distract people from the right path. It is understood that he is a sneaker and at the same time an enemy to each and every human being. It is, therefore, recommended not to listen to him. If and when any believer is attacked or even approached by a sneaking Shaitan, he should say:

A'oozu billahi minash-shaitanir Rajeem. (I seek refuge in Allah from the outcast Shaitan.)

This subject is to be discussed more in detail later in this book.



"And hold firmly together to
God's rope and do not separate"
—Qur'an

دُعَاءٌ

أَللّٰهُمَّ أَنْتََ رَبُّ الْعٰالَمِينَ
 لَا إِلٰهَ إِلَّا أَنْتَ
 خَلَقْتَنِي وَأَنَا مِنْ عَبْدِكَ
 وَأَنَا عَبْدٌ لِّلَّهِ مَوْلٰى
 وَوَالْمَوْلَى مَنْ أَسْطَيْتَ
 أَمْرُكَ بِكَمْ مِنْ كُرْكَ كَاصْفَتَ
 أَمْرُكَ لَكَ بِنَعْمَتِكَ مَلِكٌ
 وَأَنْتَ بِكَذِّبِي
 كَافِرٌ بِنِي
 كَائِنٌ بِنِي
 كَائِنٌ لَا يَقْدِرُ الدُّنْوَبُ
 إِلَّا أَنْتَ

*O my Lord!
 You are my God.
 There is no god except You.
 You created me and I am Your servant.
 I am ready to fulfill my covenant and
 My promise to You
 For whatever is in my power.
 I seek refuge in You from
 the evil I committed.
 I appreciate your favor on me.
 I come back to You with my sins.
 O my Lord! Forgive me.
 As there is no one to wipe out the sins,
 Except You.*

Animosity of Shaitan to Man

﴿أَلَمْ أَعْهَدْ إِلَيْكُمْ يَتَبَّعِنِي إِذَا دَمَّ أَنَّ لَّا
تَعْبُدُوا إِلَّا شَيْطَانٌ إِنَّهُ لَكُمْ عَدُوٌّ مُّبِينٌ﴾

*Did I not enjoin on you, O you children Of Adam,
that you should not worship Satan; for that he
was to you an enemy avowed? [Qur'an, 36:60]*

After Shaitan was cursed by Allah, he became jealous of Adam and Eve. He did his best to revenge from them in every possible way. He started his animosity against Adam, and Eve. He was successful in making them to be disobedient to Allah. They were humble to ask forgiveness, while Ibliss was arrogant and did not apologize.

After they made their mistake Allah talked to them reminding them of His instruction not to obey Shaitan because he was their enemy. Such type of a reminder is stated in the Qur'an in Surah Al-A'raf (the Heights):

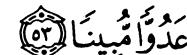
﴿فَذَلِّلَهُمَا بِغُرُورٍ فَلَمَّا ذَاقَا الشَّجَرَةَ بَدَّتْ لَهُمَا سَوءَةٌ هُمَا وَطَفِقَا
يَخْصِفَانِ عَلَيْهِمَا مِنْ وَرَقِ الْجَنَّةِ وَنَادَاهُمَا رَبُّهُمَا أَلَّا يَنْهَا كُمَا
عَنِ تِلْكُمَا الشَّجَرَةِ وَأَقْلَلَ لَكُمَا إِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ لَكُمَا عَدُوٌّ مُّبِينٌ﴾

So by deceit he brought about their fall: when they tasted of the tree, their shame became manifest to them, and they began to sew together the leaves of the garden over their bodies. And their Lord called to them: "Did I not forbid you that tree, and tell you that Satan was an avowed enemy to you? [Qur'an, 7:22]

Allah instructed them all to come down to this planet and to work out their way for salvation. Shaitan and his offsprings remained as the first enemies to Adam, Eve, and their children till the Day of Judgement. It seems that some of the children of Adam have already forgotten that the offsprings of Shaitan are still their enemies. They fell into his traps, his tricks, and his plots.

Out of His Mercy, Allah sent regularly a series of prophets and messengers; teachers, and preachers; Da'iyah and wise individuals to guide people and to bring them back to Allah. People are reminded on a regular basis to be aware of the animosity of Shaitan. Hence Allah demanded from people to be good to each other, to say the truth, to be humble, to be kind, and to say the best. Otherwise, Satan will create commotion, hatred, and enmity. In one place in the Qur'an, in Surah Al-Israa' Allah says the following:

وَقُلْ لِعِبَادِي يَقُولُوا أَلَّا تَهِي
أَحْسَنْ إِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ يَتَرَكَّبُ عَلَيْهِمْ إِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ كَانَ لِلنَّاسِ
عَدُوًّا مُّبِينًا



Say to My servants that they should (only) say those things that are best: for Shaitan does plant dissensions among them: for Shaitan is to man an avowed enemy. [Qur'an, 17:53]

This idea of enmity of Shaitan, and his offsprings to mankind is well known throughout the history. The famous story is that of Prophet Yusuf and his brothers where Shaitan was able to create commotion and enmity among them. Their father Yacoob (Jacob) instructed Yusuf not to inform his brothers about the dream he saw. Otherwise, Shaitan will play his role in creating problems, and crisis. He is well known as an enemy to mankind. This incident is recorded in the Qur'an in Surah Yusuf where Allah says:

قَالَ يَٰٓيُّهُ لَا تَنْقُصُ صِرْطَهُ يَاكَ عَلَىٰ إِخْرَاجِكَ فَيَكِيدُ وَاللَّهُ كَيْدًا
إِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ لِلنَّاسِ عَدُوٌ مُّبِينٌ ﴿١٢﴾

Said (the father): "My (dear) little son! Relate not your vision to your brothers, lest they concoct a plot against you: for Satan is to man an avowed enemy. [Qur'an, 12:5]

Among other things, his enmity is to create dissention and division between husband and wife. In so doing, the family is broken and the society is in disarray. This particular activity of Shaitan is well known throughout the history. The Qur'an describes that the role of Shaitan is to divide the families into pieces as follows:

وَاتَّبَعُوا مَا نَسَلُوا الشَّيْطَانُ عَلَىٰ مُلُوكِ سُلَيْمَانَ وَمَا كَفَرَ
سُلَيْمَانُ وَلَكِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ كَفَرُوا يَعْلَمُونَ النَّاسَ
السِّحْرُ وَمَا أَنْزَلَ عَلَى الْمَلَائِكَةِ بِإِبْرَاهِيمَ هَرُوتَ وَمَرْوَتَ

وَمَا يُعْلِمَانِ مِنْ أَحَدٍ حَقَّ يَقُولَا إِنَّمَا نَحْنُ فِتْنَةٌ فَلَا تَكْفُرُ
 فَيَتَعَلَّمُونَ مِنْهُمَا مَا يُفْرِغُونَ بِهِ بَيْنَ الْمَرْءَ وَزَوْجِهِ
 وَمَا هُمْ بِضَارِّينَ بِهِ مِنْ أَحَدٍ إِلَّا بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ وَيَنْعَلَمُونَ
 مَا يَضُرُّهُمْ وَلَا يَنْفَعُهُمْ وَلَقَدْ عَلِمُوا مِنْ أَشْرَرِهِ
 مَا لَهُ فِي الْآخِرَةِ مِنْ خَلْقٍ وَلَيْسَ مَا شَرَّفُوا بِهِ
 أَنفُسُهُمْ لَوْكَأُوأَيْلَمُونَ ﴿١٠٢﴾

They follow what the evil ones gave out (falsely) against the power of Solomon: the blasphemers were, not Solomon, but the evil ones, teaching men magic, and such things as came down at Babylon to the angels Harut and Marut. But neither of these taught anyone (such things) without saying: "We are only for trial; so do not blaspheme. They learned from them the means to sow discord between man and wife. But they could not thus harm anyone except by Allah's permission. And they learned what harmed them, not what profited them. And they knew that the buyers of (magic) would have no share in the happiness of the Hereafter. And vile was the price for which they did sell their souls, if they but knew! [Qur'an, 2:102]

Creation of Shaitan

وَمَا حَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِعَبْدِهِنَ ٥٦

I have only created jinns, and mankind, that they may serve Me. [Qur'an, 51:56]

The Qur'an states that Jinns were created from flame of fire, and free of smoke. That type of fire was of scorching wind. Allah describes the creation of Jinns, in several places in the Qur'an. In Surah Al-Hijr (The Rocky Tract), Allah says the following:

وَالْجَانَ خَلَقْنَهُ مِنْ قَبْلِ مِنْ نَارِ السَّمُومِ ١٥

And the jinn race, We had created before from the fire of a scorching wind. [Qur'an, 15:27]

Moreover, in Surah Al-Rahman (The Most Merciful), Allah says the following about the creation of Jinns:

وَخَلَقَ الْجَانَ مِنْ مَارِجِ مِنْ نَارِ ١٥

And He created Jinns from fire free of smoke.
[Qur'an, 55:15]

The idea that jinns were created from fire is mentioned in several places in the Qur'an.

☞ In Surah Al-A'raaf (The Heights), Allah says the following:

فَالَّمَا مَنَعَكَ أَلَا تَسْجُدَ إِذْ أَمْرَتُكَ قَالَ أَنَا خَيْرٌ مِّنْهُ
خَلَقْتَنِي مِنْ نَارٍ وَخَلَقْتَهُ مِنْ طِينٍ

(Allah) said: "What prevented you from prostrating when I commanded you?" He said: "I am better than he; You did create me from fire, and him from clay." [Qur'an, 7:12]

☞ Again, in Surah Saad, after Allah questioned Iblis about why he refused to prostrate to Adam, Iblis answered:

فَالَّمَا أَنْخَيْتَنِي خَلَقْتَنِي مِنْ نَارٍ وَخَلَقْتَهُ مِنْ طِينٍ

(Iblis) said: "I am better than he: You created me from fire, and him You created from clay." [Qur'an, 38:76]

This is all what is written in the Qur'an about their creation. We don't know the exact type of fire, and what degree of heat was the scorching wind. We do know that the fire of this world is a fire that burns things to ashes. If and when a person is hit with fire, he will be burned with heavy pain in his central nervous system. The same thing is applied (on a much more sophisticated scale) to the Fire of Hell on the Day of Judgement.

We do know that Adam, after being made and shaped with wet clay, had to be dried by warming the clay with fire. It is therefore strange to recognize that Jinns being made of fire, can live, eat, reproduce, travel, and have the power to whisper to people.





"...But the plotting of Evil will hem in only
the authors thereof." [Qur'an, 35:43]

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Activities of Shaitan

The following is a partial list of activities that Shaitan does. They are too many to be counted. Some of his major activities are the following:

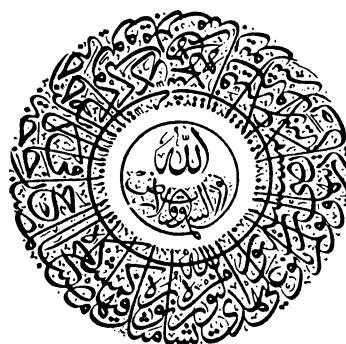
- ☞ He gives orders to people, and the latter have to listen, and follow as close as possible.
- ☞ He gives false promises, and people should take these promises seriously.
- ☞ He scares people if they don't follow him. As long as they don't obey Allah, it is easy for Shaitan to scare them.
- ☞ He invites people to follow him and to commit all types of activities. He knows no Halal or Haram. Everything is Halal.
- ☞ He incites animosity among people. He enjoys seeing them enemies to one another.
- ☞ He incites Hatred so that people start fighting one another. He enjoys seeing them unhappy with one another.
- ☞ He makes people to forget Allah by keeping them busy in the affairs of this world. The more they are preoccupied with this world, the more they forget Allah.
- ☞ He pretends to be a good friend to people; otherwise, they will not listen to him. He also pretends that he is the best advisor to them.

- ☞ He whispers regularly to them in a sneaking way. He has no courage to come to them face to face.
- ☞ He makes sure that he does not reveal his identity, otherwise people may shy away from him or even ran away. His name scares many people. Hence it is better not to identify himself as Shaitan, jinn, ghost, spirit, etc.
- ☞ He acts as a sneaker. He waits for the moment when people forget Allah, to jump forward, and sneakingly acts as an advisor.
- ☞ He remains neck-to-neck around people otherwise he loses his job, or he will be denounced by his supervisors.
- ☞ He leads people astray from Allah, so that they will go with him to hell, instead of him being alone.
- ☞ He is revengeful and vindictive; when he strikes he hurts and he may abuse others physically.
- ☞ He lets people down, because he has nothing under his property to offer except false hopes and illusions.
- ☞ He makes sure that people should follow him by using every possible and logical approach to convince them.
- ☞ He makes sure that people are to worship him. Following Shaitan, means that the person has already submitted himself to his orders and became a slave to him.
- ☞ He tries to control the destiny of people. Their future hopes and aspirations are relied on his instructions, orders and false hopes.

- ☞ He makes sure that he does not reveal his name as a ghost, but as a hidden friend wishing them the best.
- ☞ He is a source of distraction for them from worshipping God, and obeying Him. Even during salat he makes sure to distract them.
- ☞ He creates commotion otherwise his life is miserable. He enjoys seeing people fighting one another.
- ☞ He teaches magic. People have to pledge allegiance to him before teaching any type of magic. The knowledge of magic is to do harm to other people, and especially to husbands and wives.
- ☞ He tries to steal information from outside the orbit. While trying to do so, Allah sends meteorites to burn him and to get rid of him.
- ☞ He pushes people to commit all types of Haram, immorality and vulgarity.
- ☞ He makes sure that people are to do all these vices privately as well as publicly; and at the same time they should think and believe that these activities are all Halal.
- ☞ He makes sure that people should not be shy, timid, or having any type of Hayaa.' They should be bold and strong to do all types of vices without feeling ashamed of themselves. It is on the contrary; those who commit immorality, should accuse and blame those who don't get involved in vices. The latter activities are to be publicized, and popularized as noble acts of life itself. They would have enough supporters from within the human being side. Any person who is shy and timid should go to a psychiatrist to be examined and to be treated.

The main role of Shaitan is to create dissension between husbands and wives. In so doing, he will make sure that they hate one another. Accordingly, they end up into divorce. Hence, the fight will start for the custody of the children. Therefore, a problem is created in the family. When parents choose their love and their family ties, the cornerstone for the foundation of the society is destroyed.

When separation or divorce takes place, children will not be raised properly with one single parent. They will be unstable in their personality. Shaitan finds it easier to enter the hearts and minds of the children. He will lead them to wrong places. Hence, he makes them criminals in the society.



Promises of Shaitan

يَعِدُهُمْ وَيُمْتَهِنُهُمْ وَمَا يَعِدُهُمُ الشَّيْطَانُ إِلَّا غُرُورًا ﴿١٢٠﴾

Satan makes them promises, and creates in them false hopes, but Satan's promises are nothing but deception. [Qur'an, 4:120]

One has to understand that Satan has nothing to give or even to offer. He only promises false hopes. His promises are too many to be counted. He is so smart, and intelligent that he is able to deceive many innocent people. He is also able to deceive the good believers, sometimes through glamorization, and some other time through spiritual illusions.

After being kicked out of paradise he requested Allah to allow him to give promises to human beings. He was granted the permission not only to give false promises, but to go a step further. He was also granted the idea of arousing their interest in this world using his seductive voice and attractive whispering. The Qur'an explains this approach in a beautiful way as follows:

وَاسْتَفِرْزُ مِنِ اسْتَطَعْتَ
مِنْهُمْ بِصَوْتِكَ وَأَجْلِبُ عَلَيْهِمْ مَخْيَلَكَ وَرَجْلَكَ وَشَارِكَهُمْ
فِي الْأَمْوَالِ وَالْأَوْلَادِ وَعِدْهُمْ وَمَا يَعِدُهُمُ الشَّيْطَانُ إِلَّا
غُرُورًا ﴿٦﴾

And arouse those whom you can among them, with your (seductive) voice, make assaults on them with your cavalry and your infantry; mutually share with them wealth, and children, and make promises to them. But Satan promises them nothing but deceit. [Qur'an, 17:64]

It should be mentioned here, that anytime people want to do good or favor, Shaitan scares them. For example, if a person wants to donate money for a good cause, Shaitan scares him with poverty. He may entice the person to delay his help now by saying to him: "You don't have money now, delay it for the next week." He may inspire him negatively that he does not have enough money to spend. One should keep it for emergency. Such a person would be poor in his judgement. He believes his personal analysis, and he delays the payment, and in so doing loses a golden opportunity in gaining the blessings and rewards of Allah. The Qur'an explains this attitude very explicitly in Surah Al-Baqara (The Cow) as follows:

الشَّيْطَانُ يَعِدُكُمُ الْفَقْرَ وَيَأْمُرُكُم بِالْفَحْشَاءِ
وَاللَّهُ يَعِدُكُم مَغْفِرَةً مِنْهُ وَفَضْلًا وَاللَّهُ وَاسِعٌ عَلَيْهِ
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Satan threatens you with poverty, and bids you to conduct unseemly. Allah promises you His forgiveness, and bounties. And Allah cares for all, and He knows all things. [Qur'an, 2:268]

The most astonishing thing is that during the Day of Judgement Satan is going to admit to people his mistakes and mischiefs. However, he will be bold enough at that time to defend himself, and put the blame on people who were naive enough to believe him and to follow him. In Surah Ibrahim, Allah explains this situation very clearly. He says the following:

وَقَالَ الشَّيْطَانُ

لَمَّا قُضِيَ الْأَمْرُ إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَعَدَكُمْ وَعْدَ الْحَقِّ وَوَعَدْتُكُمْ
 فَلَا خَلَقْتُكُمْ وَمَا كَانَ لِي عَلَيْكُمْ مِنْ سُلْطَنٍ إِلَّا أَنْ دَعَوْتُكُمْ
 فَاسْتَجَبْتُكُمْ لِي فَلَا تَلُومُونِي وَلَوْمُوا أَنفُسَكُمْ مَا أَنْتُمْ
 بِمُصْرِخِكُمْ وَمَا أَنْتُمْ بِمُصْرِخِي إِنِّي كَفَرْتُ بِمَا
 أَشْرَكْتُمُونِي مِنْ قَبْلِ إِنَّ الظَّالِمِينَ لَهُمْ عَذَابٌ أَلِيمٌ

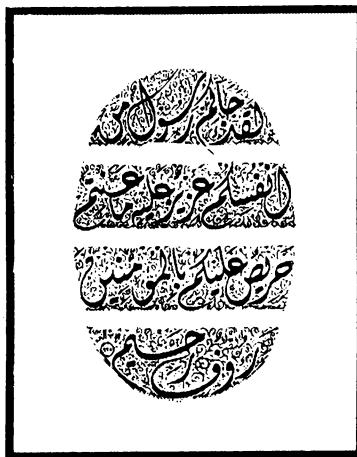


And Satan will say when the matter is decided: It was Allah who gave you a promise of truth: I too promised, but I failed in my promise to you. I had no authority over you except to call you, but you listened to me; then reproach not me, but reproach your own souls. I cannot listen to your cries, nor can you listen to mine. I rejected your former act in associating me with Allah. For wrong doers there must be a grievous chastisement. [Qur'an, 14:22]

Those who read Qur'an, should recognize their fate and situation if they are to follow the advice of Shaitan. They will be the real losers in this world, and much more in the hereafter. In this world a person may loose his job, his wife, his children, and even himself. He might end up without job and without a home. He may get involved in unlawful activities that might lead him to jail or to be killed.

However, on the Day of Judgement he will go to Hell instead of Paradise. His stay in Hell depends upon the degree of crimes and

unlawful activities that he got involved in. Therefore, one has to protect himself and to prevent himself from getting involved in the unlawful and the illegal activities spiritually, socially, culturally, physically and biologically.



Now has come unto you a Messenger from amongst yourselves: it grieves him that you should suffer, ardently anxious is he over you: to the believers is he most kind and merciful. [Qur'an, 9:128]

Companions of Shaitan



Fig. 2 Structural Hierarchy of Satan

وَلَا أُضْلِنَّهُمْ وَلَا مُنِيبُنَّهُمْ
 وَلَا أَمْرَأُهُمْ فَيُبَتِّكُنَّ إِذَا كَانُوا نَفِيتُمْ وَلَا مُرْسَلُهُمْ
 فَيَعْغِرُونَ كَخَلْقِ اللَّهِ وَمَن يَتَّخِذُ الشَّيْطَانَ وَلِيًّا
 مِنْ دُولَتِ اللَّهِ فَقَدْ خَسِرَ حُسْرًا مَمِينًا

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I will mislead them, and I will create in them false desires; I will order them to slit the ears of cattle, and to deface the (fair) nature created by Allah. Whoever, Forsaking Allah, takes Satan for a friend, has of a surety suffered a loss that is manifest. [Qur'an, 4:119]

Shaitan cannot live peacefully until and unless he drags people behind him. He wants continuously to keep them as his subordinates. Hence, he visits them regularly and talks to them in a sneaking way. He drags them to follow him and he wants them to take him as a "waliy." In so doing he will act as their guardian and protector.

As soon as he becomes their guardian (Waliy), he starts demanding them to follow him, to obey him, and to have complete faith in him. Anytime that person would be reluctant to obey him, Satan will scare him. For those who follow him are to be scared. However, the believers are not scared at all. They fear Allah alone, In this respect the Qur'an states in Surah Al-Imran the following:

إِنَّمَا ذَلِكُمُ الْشَّيْطَانُ
 يُخَوِّفُ أَوْلِيَاءَهُ فَلَا تَخَافُوهُمْ وَخَافُونَ إِنْ كُنُتمْ مُّؤْمِنِينَ ١٧٥

It is only the evil one that suggests to you the fear of his votaries: Be you not afraid of them, but fear Me, if you have faith. [Qur'an, 3:175]

The most awful thing is that Shaitan gives orders to his followers to kill other people, especially to kill the believers. The followers of Shaitan feel that the believers are their enemies, and hence they should get rid of them in any capacity at anytime and at any cost. The followers of Shaitan do fight for his sake and his pleasure. However, believers are to fight for the love of Allah. Therefore, the believers are ordered to strike the followers of Shaitan otherwise they will be hit. The Qur'an states in Surah Al-Nisaa' (The Women) the following:

الَّذِينَ أَمْنُوا يُقْتَلُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا
 يُقْتَلُونَ فِي سَبِيلِ الْطَّاغُوتِ فَقَاتَلُوا أُولَئِكَ الشَّيْطَانُ إِنَّ كَيْدَ
 الشَّيْطَانِ كَانَ ضَعِيفًا ﴿٧٦﴾

Those who believe fight in the cause of Allah, and those who reject faith fight in the cause of evil (Taghut): So fight you against the friends of Satan; feeble indeed is the cunning of Satan.

[Qur'an, 4:76]

Muslims are ordered by Allah not to follow the instructions or even the advice of Satan; otherwise they will be trapped under his control. Then they will be lead astray. The moment they get in under his control, he will promise them to be promoted from being regular friends to become members of his big family. That big family is no more than the tribe or 'Asheera of Satan. The ignorant and the innocent human beings feel that they are not alone in the line of companionship of Satan. This type of feeling gives them a psychological satisfaction that they are in the right direction. They will feel happy and satisfied. They will forget their obligations to Allah because they are preoccupied with worldly affairs. At the same time they are given hopes and aspirations to be promoted to higher levels. Such higher positions are to be members of the same party and the same army leaders. Such false hopes and aspirations will trap many people into the folds of Satan.

One has to recognize in advance the tricks of Satan so that he will be able to protect himself way in advance from Satan.



"Verily We have granted you a manifest victory." Qur'an XLVIII, 1

يَنْبَغِي إِلَيْهِمْ أَدَمٌ لَا يَفْتَنَنَّكُمْ

الشَّيْطَانُ كَمَا أَخْرَجَ أَبَوَتِكُمْ مِنَ الْجَنَّةِ يَنْزَعُ عَنْهُمَا بِأَسْهَمِهَا
لِرِبِّهِمَا سَوْءَةً تَهْمَمُ إِنَّهُ يَرَكُمْ هُوَ وَقَيْلُهُ مِنْ حَيْثُ لَا يُرَوُنُهُمْ
إِنَّا جَعَلْنَا الشَّيْطَانَ أَوْلِيَاءَ لِلَّذِينَ لَا يُؤْمِنُونَ

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O you children of Adam! Let not Satan seduce you, in the same manner as he got your parents out of the Garden, stripping them of their raiment, to expose their shame: for he and his tribe watch you from a position where you cannot see them: We made the evil ones friends (only) to those without Faith. [Qur'an, 7:27]

It should be stated here that Shaitan is made out of smoke and scorching fire. It is therefore not easy to see anyone of those creatures in their original forms unless they personify themselves in certain shapes. They go from place to place, and they enjoy those places where people don't mention the name of Allah. They also go to those places where immorality and vulgarity are being committed. Those places could be night clubs, dancing places, places where alcohol is being served and where adultery and fornication are being committed.

Allah demanded from all the children of Adam to live with moderation, to dress with modesty, and not to expose their flesh

to anyone. Even for the married couples, they are to enjoy matrimonial relationship while they are covering themselves with a blanket or a linen sheet.

There are also angels around us and with us all the time. Anytime a couple expose their bodies, the angels feel shy and run away. The moment the angels leave, Shaitan will enter the bedroom and occupy the whole house. At that time they will enjoy the haunted house. They try their best to encourage the couple to approach each other wrongly rather than what Allah informed them. As a result they will fall in the trap of Shaitan by committing sins among themselves.

For this reason our Prophet reminded us to read Qur'an, to make Du'a, and cover ourselves.

It should be stated here that the members of his tribe are only from jinns. However, they recruit people to become part of their party and finally part of their army. To become a member of the tribe of Ibliss, you are to be an obedient servant and a committed soldier. You are promised to become an associate member of their tribe. As stated before that only jinns are active members of the tribe of Ibliss. Human beings are followers and receive instructions from the tribe members. These instructions are given in a beautiful way such as whispering, illusions and day-dreaming.

The ignorant individuals get excited when illusions pass their thinking and their minds. Accordingly, they build false hopes and aspirations. They try to build plans to be executed. Nothing comes true. After being an associate member of the tribe of Ibliss, he is given certain information and some good news to encourage him to stay the rest of his life in the circle. It is too late to get out because he will be punished severely. Such punishment may lose him certain faculty of his body such as: sight, hearing, or paralysis.

Party of Shaitan

أَسْتَحْوِدُ عَلَيْهِمُ الشَّيْطَنَ فَإِنْسَاهُمْ ذِكْرٌ
 أَلَّا إِنَّ حِزْبَ الشَّيْطَنِ هُمُ الْخَاسِرُونَ
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The Evil One (Shaitan) has got the better of them: So he has made them lose the remembrance of Allah. They are the Party of the Evil One (Shaitan). Truly, It is the Party of the Evil One that will Perish! [Qur'an, 58:19]

It should be stated here that Shaitan shall not be happy at all until he establishes a party of followers. He feels happy to have as many people as possible at any cost. He knows how to give good hopes and aspirations so as to trap them into his folds, and his party. The moment they join his group, he traps them to stay there by promoting them from one level to the other. They will try to enjoy all types of life activities to please him. In so doing they are also pleasing their own egos and lusts.

Shaitan knows exactly that he is The Loser, and he is the First Loser. He will not feel happy to be the only Loser. Hence, he does his best to recruit individuals to join his caravan as if he is the winner, and as if they are also the winners.

As members of the Party of Shaitan, people are to commit themselves to follow orders, instructions, and recommendations. Such types of commands depend upon the level of commitment to his party. The more people are loyal to Shaitan, the more he demands from them.

One has to recognize here that all members of the party are to go to Hell, and be punished into it. Their punishment is going to be very heavy inside Hell. The Qur'an states emphatically such types of punishment for all those who follow the Party of Shaitan. In Surah Al-Fatir (The Original Creator), Allah says the following:

إِنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ لَكُمْ عَدُوٌ فَلَا تَتَحَذَّرُوهُ
 ۚ عَدُوٌّ إِنَّمَا يَدْعُ عَوْاحِزَبَهُ لِيَكُونُوا مِنْ أَصْحَابِ السَّعِيرِ ۖ

Verily Satan is an enemy to you: so treat him as an enemy. He only invites his adherents (party members), that they may become companions of the Blazing Fire. [Qur'an, 35:6]



Army of Shaitan

وَبَرِزَتِ الْجَحِيمُ لِلْغَاوِينَ
 ٩١ وَقَيْلَ لَهُمْ أَنَّ مَا كَنْتُمْ تَعْبُدُونَ
 مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ هُلْ يَنْصُرُونَكُمْ
 ٩٢ أَوْ يَنْصُرُونَ فَكُبُرُوا فَهَا مُهْلِفُ الْغَاوِينَ
 وَجَنُودُ إِبْلِيسَ
 ٩٣ أَجْمَعُونَ ٩٤ قَالُوا وَهُمْ فِيهَا يَخْتَصِمُونَ

And to those straying in Evil, the Fire will be placed in full view; and it shall be said to them: Where are the (gods) you worshipped besides Allah? Can they help you or help themselves? Then they will be thrown headlong into the (Fire); They and those straying in Evil, and the whole hosts of Ibliss together. [Qur'an, 26:91-95]

Ibliss is very smart. He plans his strategies, organizes himself properly, and executes his plans with wisdom through cheating, false hopes, glamour of position, sex and wealth. After establishing his own party, he goes on to establish his own army. Their role is to defend his party. The members of his party are from both mankind and jinns.

The same thing is to be said about his army. As a soldier in the army, a person should be ready to die in order to save the name and the reputation of the leader (Shaitan), as well as the name and fame of the party.

There are enough people who go out of their way to kill people.

They themselves in turn will be killed either as a retaliation or through the law and order of the different governments in the world. The only winner in this world is Shaitan. The losers are both mankind and jinns. Men are losers on this planet earth as well as in the hereafter.

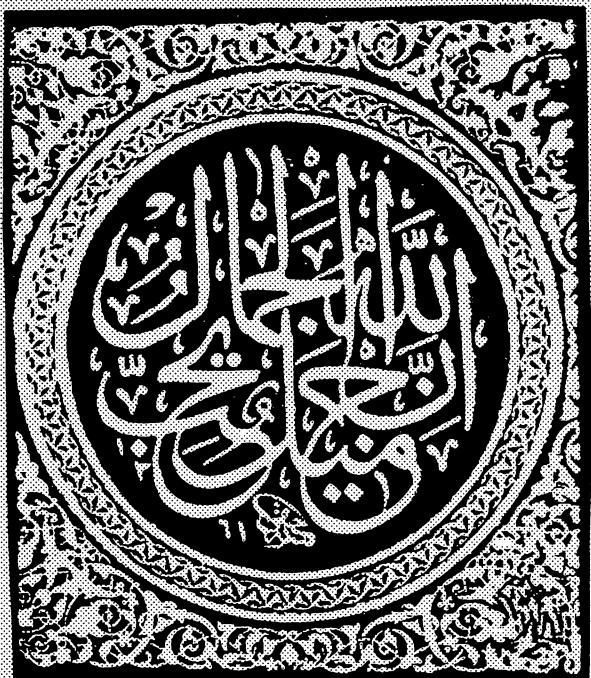
During the Day of Judgement, Hell is to be shown to the members of the party as well as to the army of Shaitan. All of them are to be thrown into Hell. They will start arguing with each other, blaming each other, and each one starts weeping and crying for the destiny that he had arrived at. There will be no defendant and no attorney to plead their case. At that time they wish to have a second life so that they will be good believers and faithful servants to Allah. However, it will be too late of course. The Qur'an makes it clear in Surah Al-Shu'araa' (The Poets); it goes as follows:

قَالُوا وَهُمْ فِيهَا يَخْتَصِمُونَ ١٦ تَأَلَّهُ إِن كُنَّا لَفِي
 ضَلَالٍ مُّبِينٍ ١٧ إِذْ نُشُونَكُمْ بِرَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ١٨ وَمَا أَضَلَّنَا
 إِلَّا لِلْمُجْرِمِينَ ١٩ فَمَا نَأَنَا مِنْ شَفِيعِينَ ٢٠ وَلَا صَدِيقٌ حَمِيمٌ
 فَلَوْاَنْ لَنَا كُرْكَةٌ فَنَكُونُ مِنَ الْمُؤْمِنِينَ ٢١ إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَآيَةٌ وَمَا كَانَ
 أَكْثَرُهُمْ مُّؤْمِنِينَ ٢٢ وَلَنَ رَبِّكَ هُوَ أَعْزَىٰ مَرْجِيمٌ ٢٣

They will say there in their mutual bickering: By Allah, we were truly in an error manifest, when we held you as equals with the Lord of the Worlds; and our seducers were only those who were steeped in guilt. Now, then, we have none to intercede (for us), nor a single friend to feel (for us). Now if we only had a chance of return, we shall truly

*be of those who believe! Verily in this is a Sign
but most of them do not believe; and verily your
Lord is He, the Exalted in Might, Most Merciful.
[Qur'an, 26:96-104]*





Indeed, Allah is Beautiful and He loves beauty.

Stealing of Information

وَلَقَدْ جَعَلْنَا فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ بُرُوجًا وَرَيَّتَهَا لِلنَّاظِرِينَ
 وَحَفَظْنَا هَامِنْ كُلَّ شَيْطَانٍ رَّجِيمٍ
 إِلَّا مَنْ أَسْرَقَ الْأَسْمَاعَ
 فَأَنْبَعَهُ شَهَابٌ مُّمِينٌ

It is We Who have set out the Zodiacal Signs in the heavens, and made them fair-seeming to (all) beholders; and (moreover) We have guarded them from very evil spirit accursed: But any that gains a hearing by stealth, is pursued by a flaming fire, bright (to see). [Qur'an, 15:16-18]

Stealing information from outside the earth's orbit was a habit, a custom, and a livelihood for the jinns. Such information were to be passed over to the individual people who have requested them to do so.

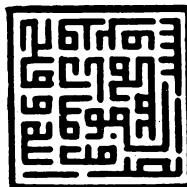
The concepts of astrology, palm reading, and psychic could be among those disciplines that people developed throughout the history of mankind. A person who is to receive any information is to submit himself totally to the jinns before they will be able to help him.

After the revelation of the Qur'an, Allah demanded from all human beings, that their guidance is totally from the Qur'an. Any reliance on the jinns is considered a matter of Shirk (partnership with Allah). Jinns are no more to steal the information from outside this orbit otherwise they will be burned immediately

through meteorites. This type of information is stated in the Qur'an in Surah Al-Mulk (The Sovereign), where Allah says:

وَلَقَدْ زَيَّنَّا السَّمَاوَاتِ
الَّذِي نَعْلَمُ مِنْهُ مَصْبِيحَ وَجَعَلْنَاهَا رُجُومًا لِلشَّيْطَنِينَ وَأَعْتَدْنَا لَهُمْ عَذَابًا
السَّعِيرَ

And We have, (from of old), adorned the lowest heaven with lamps, and We have made such (lamps) (as) missiles to drive away the Evil Ones, and have prepared for them the penalty of the Blazing Fire. [Qur'an, 67:5]



Worshipping of Shaitan

وَيَوْمَ يَحْشُرُهُمْ جَمِيعًا شَمَّيْرُهُمْ يَقُولُ لِلْمَلَائِكَةَ أَهْرَلَأَ إِبْيَا كُنْكَكَ كَانُوا
يَعْبُدُونَ ﴿٤١﴾ قَالُوا سُبْحَنَكَ أَنْتَ وَلِسَانَمِنْ دُونِهِمْ بَلْ كَانُوا
يَعْبُدُونَ الْجِنَّةَ أَكْثَرُهُمْ بِهِمْ مُؤْمِنُونَ

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One Day He will gather them all together, and say to the angels, "Was it you that these men used to worship?" They will say, "Glory to You our (tie) is with You as Protector -- not with them. Nay, but they worshipped the Jinns: most of them believed in them. [Qur'an, 34:40-41]

While Shaitan orders people to follow him, he also orders them to commit sins and immorality. He demands from them (while they are not aware of what they are thinking or speaking) to say something wrong about Allah with ignorance. They may say that we people were created in the image of God. God personified Himself in the shape of a human being. God got a baby son, and His son is the only begotten son. Moreover, His son is not only a son, but he is God at the same time. He is Lord Jesus. Whoever does not believe such thing is considered to be a Kafir, an unbeliever, and an infidel. He is doomed and he is going to hell!

As one may see, Shaitan is able to cheat so many people and ask them to follow him. Poor are those people who could not use their minds, and who refuse to use their intellect! They closed their understanding and followed Shaitan blindly with emotion.

One should remember that Shaitan encourages people to denounce Allah, the Day of Judgement, the belief in Angels, the belief in Prophet Muhammad and the whole teachings of Allah to all His prophets and messengers. When people become agnostics, he pushes them to become atheists and godless people. When such people denounce Allah and His teachings, they fall in the trap of Shaitan as slaves and captives to him. They lose their sense of belonging, and they wander around in vain and hopelessness.

During the Day of Judgement, Shaitan is to excuse himself and to confirm his innocence of what people have committed. He will denounce those individuals and will put the blame of kufr on them. The Qur'an states explicitly such a dialogue in Surah Al-Hashr (The Gathering),

كَمْلَ الشَّيْطَنِ إِذْ قَالَ لِلْإِنْسَنِ أَكُنْ فُرْقَانًا كَفَرْ
قالَ إِنِّي بِرِّيٌّ مِّنْكَ إِنِّي أَخَافُ اللَّهَ رَبَّ الْعَالَمِينَ
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فَكَانَ عَيْقِبَتْهُمَا أَنْهُمْ مَا فِي النَّارِ خَلِيلَيْنِ فِيهَا وَذَلِكَ جَزَّٰءٌ
الظَّالِمِينَ
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(Their allies deceived them), like the Evil One (Shaitan), when he says to man, 'Deny Allah': but when (man) denies Allah, (the Evil One) says, 'I am free of you: I do fear Allah, the Lord of the Worlds!' The end of both will be that they will go into the fire, dwelling therein forever. Such is the reward of the wrongdoers. [Qur'an, 59:16-17]

The sad situation is that both of them are going to be losers, and both are to enter Hell, to live there, and to dwell there forever.

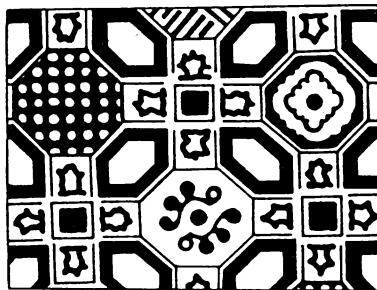
The idea of worshipping jinns does not mean to pray to them. It means to follow and obey them. Obedience may mean worshiping someone. Those who obey Allah are called Muslims. For this reason, one can read in the Qur'an about the obedience of some people to their religious leaders. Such obedience is considered as a matter of worship. Allah accused those who worship (obey) anyone other than Him. In Surah Tawbah (repentance), Allah says the following:

أَنْخَذُوا أَخْبَارَهُمْ
وَرُهْبَنَهُمْ أَرْبَابًا مِّنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ وَالْمَسِيحَ ابْنَ
مَرْيَمَ وَمَا أُمِرُوا إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُوا إِلَّا هُنَّا وَحْدَانَا
لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ سُبْحَانُهُ عَمَّا يُشْرِكُونَ
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They take their priests and their anchorites to be their lords derogation of Allah, and (they take as their Lord) Christ, the son of Mary; yet they were commanded to worship but One God: There is no god but He. Praise and glory to Him: (Far is He) from having the partners they associate (with Him). [Qur'an, 9:31]

It should be made clear here that whoever follows man-made systems, rules and regulations other than those ordained by Allah are considered worshippers to the ones who made those systems. This means that people who have made their own systems, are worshipping anything other than Allah. To explain this point more, one should state here that secularism, democracy,

capitalism, socialism, communism and all other isms are the making of people. Hence, whoever submits to such systems is considered a worshipper of human beings. One more point is to be considered here: Whoever is in a position to legislate systems, rules and regulations that are not within the decisions of Allah, is considered as if he is the creator. He is doomed. Those who follow any are considered Mushriks. Both groups (followers of Shaitan and worshipper of human beings) shall be punished and penalized here and in the hereafter.



(Prayer Rug Motif)

Forgetting Allah

وَإِذَا رَأَيْتَ الَّذِينَ يَخُوضُونَ فِي
ءَيْنَاتٍ فَاعْرِضْ عَنْهُمْ حَتَّى يَخُوضُوا فِي حَدِيثٍ غَيْرِهِ وَإِذَا يُسَيِّنَكَ
الشَّيْطَانُ فَلَا تَقْعُدْ بَعْدَ الْذِكْرِي مَعَ الْقَوْمِ الظَّالِمِينَ

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When you see men engaged in vain discourse about Our Signs, turn away from them unless they turn to a different theme. If Satan ever makes you forget, then after recollection, do not sit in the company of those who do wrong. [Qur'an, 6:68]

It should be understood that every human being is chased by a large number of Shaitans. They try their best to make people forget the remembrance of Allah. As soon as a person is preoccupied with his worldly affairs, he will automatically fall into the traps of forgetfulness of Allah and his obligations to Him. This means that he will forget to pray on time, and to pay Zakat on time, and with equal proportion. He will give himself false excuses. However, Allah reminded us to keep our remembrance to Him so that He will protect us from Shaitan. In case we get involved in a group of people who are busy with this world, we are to excuse ourselves from such meetings. We are not to stay any longer otherwise we will be trapped with Shaitan's plots.

In case Shaitan traps anyone and makes us to forget Allah, we are to remember Allah and to ask His guidance. Then and only then will we be protected with the Mercy of Allah. In such case Allah reminded us in Surah Al-A'raf (The Heights) the following:

إِنَّ
الَّذِينَ أَتَقَوْا إِذَا مَسَّهُمْ طَرْفٌ مِّنَ الشَّيْطَنِ تَذَكَّرُوا
فَإِذَا هُمْ مُبَصِّرُونَ

Those who fear Allah, when a thought of evil from Satan assaults them, bring Allah to remembrance, when lo! they are (aright). [Qur'an, 7:201]

Believers are admonished by Allah not to sit with a group of people if they are involved in non-sense talking. Getting involved in talking for the sake of talking is a sin and a mistake. Believers are instructed to get away from such meetings. Allah explains the qualities of believers in Surah Al-Mu'minoon (The Believers) as follows:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

قَدْ أَفْلَحَ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ ۝ الَّذِينَ هُمْ فِي صَلَاتِهِمْ خَشِعُونَ ۝
وَالَّذِينَ هُمْ عَنِ الْلَّغْوِ مُعْرِضُونَ ۝

The believers must (eventually) win through -- those who humble themselves in their prayers; who avoid vain talk; ... [Qur'an, 23:1-3]



Orders of Shaitan

﴿ يَأَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَنْبِئُوا خُطُواتِ الشَّيْطَانِ وَمَنْ يَتَّبِعُ
خُطُواتِ الشَّيْطَانِ فَإِنَّهُ يَأْمُرُ بِالْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَلَوْلَا فَضْلُ
اللَّهِ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُهُ مَازَكُوكُمْ مِنْ أَحَدٍ أَبَدًا وَلَكِنَّ اللَّهَ يُرِيكُ
مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ سَمِيعٌ عَلِيمٌ ﴾
[24:21]

*O you who believe! Follow not Satan's footsteps:
If any will follow the footsteps of Satan, he will
(but) command what is indecent and wrong: And
were it not for the grace and mercy of Allah on
you, not one of you would ever have been pure:
but Allah does purify whom He pleases: and Allah
is The One who hears and knows (all things).
[Qur'an, 24:21]*

Shaitan is very smart and intelligent. He never orders people from the start, rather he invites them to do anything and everything. He uses very sweet words. He tries his best to convince them with logic and common sense. He uses examples about others in the society as being good because they listened to him. He sneakingly will continue to come to each person whispering till he is able to convince that person.

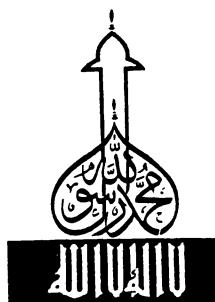
As soon as people listen to Shaitan day-by-day through his glamorous whispering, he will invite them to do certain activities. Such activities might be unlawful, but he will convince them of

to listen to his advice, otherwise they will be in trouble. At last, being very lawful. Finally, he will make sure that they listen to him rightly or wrongly. He will automatically demand from them he orders them to follow him for every little thing. They should be his soldiers if they want to be rewarded.

The Qur'an explains how cleverly Shaitan gives orders to his followers. In Surah Al-Baqarah (The Cow) Allah informs us the following:

يَأَيُّهَا النَّاسُ كُلُّوا مِنْ مَا فِي الْأَرْضِ حَلَالًا طَيْبًا وَلَا تَتَّبِعُوا
 حُطُومَاتِ الشَّيْطَانِ إِنَّهُ لَكُمْ عَدُوٌّ مُّبِينٌ ﴿١٦٨﴾ إِنَّمَا يَأْمُرُكُمْ
 بِالسُّوءِ وَالْفَحْشَاءِ وَأَنْ تَقُولُوا عَلَى اللَّهِ مَا لَا تَعْلَمُونَ ﴿١٦٩﴾

O you people! Eat of what is on earth, lawful and good; and do not follow the footsteps of the Evil One (Satan), for he is to you an avowed enemy. For he commands you what is evil and shameful, and that you should say of Allah that of which you have no knowledge. [Qur'an, 2:168-169]



وَاتَّبَعُوا مَا تَنَوَّا الشَّيَاطِينُ عَلَىٰ مُلْكِ سُلَيْمَانَ وَمَا كَفَرَ
 سُلَيْمَانُ وَلَكِنَّ الشَّيَاطِينَ كَفَرُوا يُعْلَمُونَ النَّاسَ
 السُّخْرَ وَمَا أُنْزِلَ عَلَى الْمَلَكَيْنِ بِإِبْرَاهِيمَ هَرُوتَ وَمَرْوَتَ
 وَمَا يُعْلَمَانِ مِنْ أَحَدٍ حَتَّىٰ يَقُولُ إِنَّمَا مَنْ فِتَنَهُ فَلَا تَكْفُرْ
 فَيَتَعَلَّمُونَ مِنْهُمَا مَا يُفَرِّقُونَ بِهِ بَيْنَ الْمَرْءِ وَزَوْجِهِ
 وَمَا هُمْ بِضَارِّينَ بِهِ مِنْ أَحَدٍ إِلَّا بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ وَيَعْلَمُونَ
 مَا يَصْرُّهُمْ وَلَا يَنْفَعُهُمْ وَلَقَدْ عَلِمُوا مَنِ اسْتَرَّهُ
 مَالَهُ فِي الْآخِرَةِ مِنْ حَلْقَيْ وَلِنْسَ مَا شَرَوْا إِلَيْهِ
 أَنْفُسُهُمْ لَوْكَائُنُوا يَعْلَمُونَ

﴿٦٧﴾

They followed what the evil ones gave out (falsely against the power of Solomon: the blasphemers were not Solomon, but the evil ones, teaching men magic, and such things as came down at Babylon to the angels Harut and Marut. But neither of these taught anyone (such things) without saying: "We are only for trial; so do not blaspheme." They learned from them the means to sow discord between man and wife. But they could not thus harm anyone except by Allah's permission. And they learned what harmed them, not what profited them. And they knew that the buyers of (magic)

would have no share in the happiness of the Hereafter. And vile was the price for which they did sell their souls, if they but knew! [Qur'an, 2:102]

Many people are scared of magic. Anytime a person has any particular problem, he thinks that someone has played magic against him. Sometimes he thinks that the "Evil Eye" played its role against him.

Unfortunately, there are some people who believe that satans do know the future and the unseen. They also believe that satans can bring the information from the upper heaven. For such a belief, some have accepted satans to be their personal guides. In so doing, they misuse their relationship as well as the information that was released to them. Most of the time the news that satans bring are wrong, twisted or out of contexts. The weak and the ill-hearted individuals have been captured psychologically by satans.

Prophet Sulaiman was accused of being unbeliever (kafir) because he communicated with satans. Allah purified him, and blamed satans for their mischievous deeds. It was the satans who became unbelievers, and it was satans who teach people how to bring dissention between a husband and his wife. Satans do know that the family is a solid foundation for a stable society. Any disturbances and any problems established in a family would be in the right direction to wreck that family and finally to wreck the society.

After the revelation of the Qur'an, Muslims are prohibited to learn or to use magic. It is totally unlawful (Haram) to get involved in any capacity and in any form of magic. Muslims are to be guided by the Qur'an, and not by Jinns whether they are the good or the evil ones. Jinns don't know the future at all. Anytime they try to steal information from outside the earth's orbit, they are hit with

meteorites and are killed. In Surah Al-Mulk, Allah describes such a situation as follows:

وَلَقَدْ زَيَّنَا السَّمَاءَ
الَّذِي نَارٌ مَصَبِّحٌ وَجَعَلْنَاهَا رُجُومًا لِلشَّيْطَنِينَ وَأَعْتَدْنَا لَهُمْ عَذَابًا
السَّعِيرٌ

And We have, (from of old), adorned the lowest heaven with lamps, and We have made such (lamps) as missiles to drive away satans, and have prepared for them the chastisement of the blazing fire. [Qur'an, 67:5]

Therefore, to protect one's self from magic and the evil eye, the following recommendations are to be taken into consideration:

- One has to practice the teachings of Islam daily, and especially the five daily prayers.
- He has to say regularly: *A'oozu Billahi Minash-Shaitanir Rajeem* which means, *I seek refuge in Allah from the outcast Satan.*
- He should read the Qur'an daily starting with *A'oozu Billahi Minash-Shaitanir Rajeem.*
- He should never believe or trust those who claim they work in magic.
- He should never get involved in magic.
- One should not be jealous of anyone for whatever good they have.

- Never a person should deal with jinns, whether they are the believers or the satanic ones.
- One should never have an evil eye against others; otherwise, it may come back to him.
- One should trust Allah. It is He who protects us from satanic creatures: jinns or mankind.

During the days of Prophet Moosa and Pharaoh, the practice of magic was going on like a business trade all over the country. Such type of a practice was done from the top officials of the government to the masses similar to the practice of medicine or business or any other profession. The story of the challenge that took place between Moosa one side and Pharaoh and his magicians on the other side is mentioned in many places in the Qur'an. The following is a partial list of ayat that speak about that incidence in which the word magic or magician(s) has been mentioned.

List of Ayat About Magic		
Name of Surah	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
Al-A'raaf	The Heights	7:109-132
Yunus	Jonah	10:76-82
Al-Israa'	The Night Journey	17:47
Taha	Taha	20:56-73
Al-Shu'araa'	The Poets	26:34-51

List of Ayat About Magic (Continued)

Name of Surah	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
Al-Qasass	The Narration	28:48
Saad	Saad	38:4
Ghaafir	The Believer	40:24
Zukhruff	Gold Adornments	43:49
Zariyyat	Winds that Scatter	51:30-40

Allah sent Moosa at that time with a super magic to undo what the magicians were able to do. They were shocked and the majority submitted to Allah and followed Moosa and his message.

It should be stated that such a story is worth mentioning here as narrated in the Qur'an. In Surah Taha the story is narrated as follows:

وَلَقَدْ

أَرَيْنَاهُ أَيَّتِنَا كُلُّهَا فَكَذَبَ وَابْنَ {٥٤} قَالَ أَجِئْنَا لِتُخْرِجَنَا
 مِنْ أَرْضِنَا بِسِحْرٍ كَيْمُوسِي {٥٥} فَلَنَأْتِنَكَ سِحْرِ مِثْلِهِ
 فَاجْعَلْ يَنْتَنَا وَيَنْتَكَ مَوْعِدًا لَا تُخْلِفُهُ بَخْنَ وَلَا أَنْتَ مَكَانًا
 سُوَى {٥٦} قَالَ مَوْعِدُكُمْ يَوْمُ الْزِيْنَةِ وَأَنْ يُحْشِرَ النَّاسُ ضُحَى
 فَتَوَلَّ فَرْعَوْنُ فَجَمَعَ كَيْدُهُمْ أَنَّ {٥٧} قَالَ لَهُمْ
 مُوسَى وَيَلْكُمْ لَا تَقْرُؤُوا عَلَى اللَّهِ كَذِبًا فَإِسْتَحْكُمْ بِعَذَابٍ
 وَقَدْ خَابَ مَنْ آفَرَرَ {٥٨}

فَتَرْزَعُوا أَمْرُهُمْ بِنَهْمٍ وَسَرُوا
 إِلَيْنَا جَوَىٰ ۝ قَالُوا إِنَّ هَذَا إِنْ سَاحِرٌ نَّ يُرِيدُانِ أَنْ يُخْرِجَاكُمْ
 مِنْ أَرْضِكُمْ سِخْرِهِمَا وَيَدْهَبُ إِلَيْهِمْ بِطَرِيقَتِكُمُ الْمُشْنَىٰ ۝ فَاجْمِعُوهُ
 كَيْدَكُمْ ثُمَّ اقْتُلُوهُ صَفَا وَقَدْ أَفْلَحَ الْيَوْمَ مِنْ أَسْتَعْلَىٰ ۝
 قَالُوا يَا مُوسَىٰ إِنَّا مَنْ تُلْقِيَ وَإِنَّا مَنْ نَكُونُ أَوْلَىٰ مِنَ الْقَوَىٰ ۝ قَالَ
 بَلَّ الْقَوَافِلُ إِذَا حَبَاهُمْ وَعَصِّيَّهُمْ يُخْلِلُ إِلَيْهِ مِنْ سَحْرِهِمْ أَنْهَا سَعَىٰ
 فَأَوْجَسَ فِي نَفْسِهِ خِيفَةً مُوسَىٰ ۝ فَلَمَّا لَّا تَحْفَفَ إِنَّا
 أَنْتَ الْأَعْلَىٰ ۝ وَالْقَوْلُ مَا فِي يَمِينِكَ تَلَقَّفَ مَا صَنَعُوا إِنَّمَا صَنَعُوهُ
 كَيْدُ سَاحِرٍ وَلَا يُفْلِحُ السَّاحِرُ حِيثُ أَنَّ ۝ فَأَلْقَى السَّحْرَةُ سُجْدًا
 قَالُوا إِنَّا مَنْ بَرَّ هَرُونَ وَمُوسَىٰ ۝ قَالَ إِنَّمَا مَنْتُمْ لَهُوَ قَبْلُ أَنْ أَذَنَّ
 لَكُمْ إِنَّهُ لَكَبِيرُكُمُ الَّذِي عَلِمَكُمُ السَّحْرَ فَلَا فَطَعْنَتْ أَيْدِيَكُمْ
 وَأَرْجُلَكُمْ مِنْ خَلْفِهِ وَلَا أَصْلَبَنَّكُمْ فِي جُذُوعِ النَّخْلِ وَلَنَعْلَمَنَّ
 إِنَّا أَشَدُّ عَذَابًا وَأَبْقَىٰ ۝ قَالُوا إِنَّا نُؤْثِرُكَ عَلَىٰ مَا جَاءَكَ دَامَنَ
 الْبَيْنَتِ وَالَّذِي فَطَرَنَا فَأَقْضِي مَا أَنْتَ قَاضِي إِنَّمَا قَضَى هَذِهِ
 الْحَيَاةَ الدُّنْيَا ۝ إِنَّا مَنْ بَرَّ بِنَا لِيغْفِرَ لَنَا خَطَايَانَا وَمَا أَكْرَهْنَا
 عَلَيْهِ مِنَ السَّحْرِ وَاللَّهُ خَيْرٌ وَأَبْقَىٰ ۝ إِنَّهُ مَنْ يَأْتِ رَبَّهُ بِمُحِرْمًا
 إِنَّ لَهُ جَهَنَّمَ لَا يَمُوتُ فِيهَا وَلَا يَحْيَىٰ ۝ وَمَنْ يَأْتِهِ مُؤْمِنًا فَأَدْ
 عَمَ الْصَّلِيلَ حَتَّىٰ فَأُولَئِكَ لَهُمُ الدَّرَجَاتُ الْعُلُوِّيَّاتُ ۝ جَنَّتُ عَدَنَ
 تَجْرِي مِنْ تَحْنِهَا الْأَنْهَرُ خَلِيلُهُنَّ فِيهَا وَذَلِكَ جَزَاءُ مَنْ تَزَكَّىٰ ۝

And We showed Pharaoh all Our signs, but he did reject and refuse. He said, "Have you come to drive us out of our land with your magic, O Moses? But we can surely produce magic to match yours! So make a tryst between us and you, which we shall not fail to keep -- neither we nor you -- in a place where both shall have even chances." Moses said, "Your tryst is the Day of Festival, and let the people be assembled when the sun is well up." So Pharaoh withdrew: He concertated his plan, and then came (back). Moses said to them: "Woe to you! Forge not you a lie against Allah, lest He destroy you (at once) utterly by chastisement: the forger must suffer failure." So they disputed, one with another, over their affair, but they kept their talk secret. They said, "These two are certainly (expert) magicians: their object is to drive you out from your land with their magic, and to do away with your most cherished way. Therefore concert your plan, and then assemble in(erred) ranks; he wins (all along) today who gains the upper hand." They said: "O Moses! Whether will you that you throw (first) or that we be the first to throw?" He said: "Nay, throw you first!" Then behold their ropes and their rods -- so it seemed to him on account of their magic -- began to be in lively motion! So Moses conceived in his mind a (sort of) fear. We said: "Fear not! For you have indeed the upper hand. Throw that which is your right hand: quickly will it swallow up that which they have faked. what they have faked is but a magician's trick; and the magician succeeds not. So the magicians were thrown down to prostration. They said: "We believe in the Lord of Aaron and

Moses." Pharaoh said: "Believe you in Him before I give you permission? Surely this must be your leader who has taught you magic. Be sure I will cut off your hands and feet on opposite sides, and I will have you crucified on trunks of palm-trees. So shall you know for certain which of us can give the more severe and the more lasting punishment!" They said: "Never shall we prefer thee to what has come to us of the clear signs of Him who created us! So decree whatever you desire to decree, for you can only decree (touching) the life of this world. For us, we have believed in our Lord; may He forgive us our faults, and the magic to which you did compel us. For Allah is Best and Most Abiding." Verily he who comes to his Lord as a sinner (at Judgement) -- for him is Hell; therein shall he neither die nor live. But such as comes to Him as Believers who have worked righteous deeds -- for them are ranks exalted. Gardens of eternity, beneath which flow rivers: they will dwell therein for aye, such is the reward of those who purify themselves (from evil). [Qur'an, 20:56-76]

The magic that Allah brought through Moosa against Pharaoh and the magicians is not the magic of Jinns. It was a miracle of Allah to teach the magicians that there is a Creator who can undo and wipe out the knowledge, or the fake superiority of those magicians. Jinns and mankind are all the creatures of Allah. They are to obey Allah and follow His commands.

Muslims can only be guided by Allah. They can only be supported by Allah, and they can only be helped by Allah. Whoever needs the guidance, mercy and blessing has to come to Allah. He has to submit wholly and totally to Allah. Then and

only then Allah will take care of him here in this world as well as in the hereafter.

To prevent yourself from the evil-eye or from the satanic Jinns that might do harm to you, you have to be with Allah, regularly. It is He, Allah, who is our Protector, and it is He who takes care of us every second of our life. Allah reminded us in Surah Fussilat (clearly spelled out) about our commitment, about Himself as being our Protector, and how to receive protection from satanic Jinns, as follows:

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ قَالُوا رَبُّنَا اللَّهُ ثُمَّ أَسْتَقْنَمُوا تَنَزَّلُ عَلَيْهِمْ
 الْمَلَائِكَةُ أَلَا تَخَافُوا وَلَا تَحْرِزُوا وَلَا يَبْشِرُوا بِالْجُنَاحَةِ
 الَّتِي كُنْتُمْ تُوعَدُونَ ﴿٢١﴾ نَحْنُ أَوْلَئِكُمْ فِي الْحَيَاةِ
 الْأُولَئِكُمْ فِي الْأَخْرَةِ وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا شَهِيْدَهُ أَنفُسُكُمْ
 وَلَكُمْ فِيهَا مَا أَنْدَعْنَاهُنَّ ﴿٢٢﴾ نَزَّلْنَا مِنْ غَفْرَانَ رَحْمَمْ
 وَمَنْ أَحَسَنْ فَوْلَأَ مِمَّنْ دَعَ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَعَمِلَ صَنْلِحًا وَقَالَ
 إِنِّي مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ ﴿٢٣﴾ وَلَا سَتُوْيِ الْحُسْنَةُ وَلَا السَّيْئَةُ
 أَدْفَعْ بِالَّتِي هِيَ أَحْسَنُ فَإِذَا الَّذِي بَيْنَكَ وَبَيْنَهُ عَدُوٌّ كَانَهُ
 وَلِي حَمِيمٌ ﴿٢٤﴾ وَمَا يُلْقِنَهَا إِلَّا الَّذِينَ صَبَرُوا وَمَا يُلْقِنَهَا
 إِلَّا ذُو حَظٍ عَظِيمٍ ﴿٢٥﴾ وَإِمَّا يَنْزَعُكَ مِنَ الشَّيْطَنِ نَزْعٌ
 فَاسْتَعِذْ بِاللَّهِ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ ﴿٢٦﴾

In the case of those who say: "Our Lord is Allah," and, further, stand straight and steadfast, the angels descent on them (from time to time): "Fear you not!" (they suggest), "Nor grieve! But receive the glad tidings of the garden (of bliss), that which you were promised! We are your protectors in this life and in the hereafter; therein shall you have all that you shall desire; therein shall you have all that you ask for! A hospitable gift from One Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful!" Who is better in speech than one who calls (men) to Allah, works righteousness, and says, "I am of those who bow in Islam?" Nor can goodness and evil be equal. Repel (evil) with what is better; then will he between whom and you was hatred become as it were your friend and intimate! And no one will be granted such goodness except those who exercise patience and self-restraint, none but persons of the greatest good fortune. And if (at any time) an incitement to discord is made to thee by the Satan, seek refuse in Allah. He is the One who hears and knows all things. [Qur'an, 41:30-36]

It should be stated here that most of the prophets were refused by their people. The prophets were asked proofs of their claims. Anytime a prophet brought a proof or a miracle, the people were stunned. They refused to believe. Each time they used to say that such a prophet has brought magic with him to cover up his claims. The prophets used to tell their people that such a miracle was from Allah, the creator of the universe. None of those prophets had anything to do with magic. Nevertheless people refused to believe in those prophets and in their messages.

The Qur'an is full of information about such prophets. The following is a partial list.

● Surah Al-Zariyaat (The Winds that Scatter)

Allah informs us about human beings' reaction to almost all the prophets. Anytime a prophet brings to his people a miracle, they are stunned and baffled. Instead of believing their prophet, their egos would never allow them to do so. Therefore, they refused and accordingly they used to give false reasons. One reason would be that the prophet has played a magic on them, and what he brought is a sorcery. In this Surah Allah says the following.

وَلَا يَجْعَلُوا مَعَ اللَّهِ إِلَهًا أَخْرَىٰ لَكُمْ مِنْهُ بَذِيرُ مُبِينٌ
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كَذَّالِكَ مَا أَنَّ الَّذِينَ مِنْ قَبْلِهِمْ مِنْ رَسُولٍ إِلَّا قَالُوا سَاحِرٌ أَوْ مَحْنَوْنٌ

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And make not another an object of worship with Allah. I am from Him, A warner to you, clear and open! Similarly, no messenger came to the peoples before them, but they said (of him) in like manner, "A sorcerer, or one possessed!" [Qur'an, 51:51-52]

● Surah Al-An-'aam (The Cattle)

Allah informs us about Prophet Muhammad and the pagans of Makkah. They were stubborn and a good number of them were not going to believe in him or the message that was revealed to him. Even if he were to bring them a whole book from heaven at one time to be given to them, and to be in their hands, they were to refuse him and not to believe his message. Their feeble reason

was that he brought magic with him. Allah says in this Surah the following:

وَلَوْنَزَنَا عَلَيْكَ كِتَابًا فِي قِرْطَاسٍ فَلَمْسُوهُ يَأْتِيَهُمْ
لَقَالَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا إِنَّ هَذَا إِلَّا سِحْرٌ مِّنْ ۝

If We had sent you a written message on parchment, so that they could touch it with their hands, the unbelievers would have been sure to say: "This is nothing but obvious magic!" [Qur'an, 6:7]

• Surah Al-Ma-idah (Table Spread)

Allah informs us about the miracles that were bestowed upon Jesus. All those miracles were with the permission and the guidance of Allah. People refused him and blamed him. Their weak reasons were that whatever he performed was a magic. Allah says in this Surah the following:

إِذْ قَالَ اللَّهُ يَنْعِيسَى ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ
إِذْ كُرِّنَعْمَتِي عَلَيْكَ وَعَلَى وَالدِّنِكَ إِذْ أَيَّدْتُكَ بِرُوحِ
الْقُدُّسِ تُكَلِّمُ النَّاسَ فِي الْمَهْدِ وَكَهْلًا وَإِذْ عَلَمْتُكَ
الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَالْتَّوْرِثَةَ وَالْإِنْجِيلَ وَإِذْ خَلَقْتُ
مِنَ الطَّيْنِ كَهْيَةً الطَّيْرَ بِإِذْنِي فَتَنَفَّخْتُ فِيهَا فَتَكُونُ طَيْرًا
بِإِذْنِي وَتَبَرِّئُ الْأَكْمَةَ وَالْأَبْرَصَ بِإِذْنِي وَإِذْ تُخْرِجُ
الْمَوْتَى بِإِذْنِي وَإِذْ كَفَّتْ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ عَنْكَ إِذْ
جَعَلْتَهُمْ بِالْبَيْنَتِ فَقَالَ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا مِنْهُمْ إِنَّ هَذَا إِلَّا سِحْرٌ
مُّبِينٌ ۝

Then will Allah say: "O Jesus the son of Mary! Recount My favor to you and to your mother. Behold! I strengthened you with the Holy Spirit. So that you can speak to the people in childhood and in old age. Behold! I taught you the Book and Wisdom, the Torah and the Gospel. And behold! You make out of clay, as it were, the figure of a bird by My leave. And you breath into it, and it becomes a bird by My leave. And you heal those born blind, and the lepers, by My leave. And behold! You bring forth the dead by My leave. And behold! I did restrain the children of Israel from (violence to) you when you showed them the clear signs. And the unbelievers among them said: "This is nothing but evident magic."

[Qur'an, 5:110]

● Surah Al-Shu'araa' (The Poets)

Allah informs us about the story of Prophet Salih with his people Thamood. He advised them to be good and to do business with honesty and without cheating. They accused him that he was bewitched. Allah say in this Surah the following:

كَذَّبَتْ ثَمُودُ الْمُرْسَلِينَ ﴿١٤﴾ إِذَا قَالَ
 لَهُمْ أَخْوَهُمْ صَلَحُ الْأَنْقَوْنَ ﴿١٤١﴾ إِنِّي لَكُمْ رَسُولٌ أَمِينٌ ﴿١٤٢﴾
 فَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُونِ ﴿١٤٣﴾ وَمَا أَشْكُلُكُمْ عَلَيْهِ مِنْ أَجْرٍ إِنَّ أَجْرِيَ
 إِلَّا عَلَىٰ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿١٤٤﴾

أَتَرَكُونَ فِي مَا هَنْهَنَاءً أَمْنِينَ {١٤٧}
 فِي جَنَّتٍ وَعَيْوَنٍ {١٤٨} وَرُزُوعٍ وَنَخْلٍ طَلْعُهَا هَضِيمٌ
 وَتَحِتُونَ مِنْ الْجِبَالِ بُوَوَّافَرِهِنَ {١٤٩} فَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُونَ
 وَلَا تُطِيعُوا أَمْرَ الْمُسْرِفِينَ {١٥٠} الَّذِينَ يَفْسِدُونَ فِي الْأَرْضِ
 وَلَا يُصْلِحُونَ {١٥١} قَالُوا إِنَّمَا أَنْتَ مِنَ الْمُسْحَرِينَ {١٥٢} مَا أَنْتَ
 إِلَّا بَشَرٌ مِثْلُنَا فَأَتِ بِتَايِةٍ إِنْ كُنْتَ مِنَ الصَّادِقِينَ {١٥٣}
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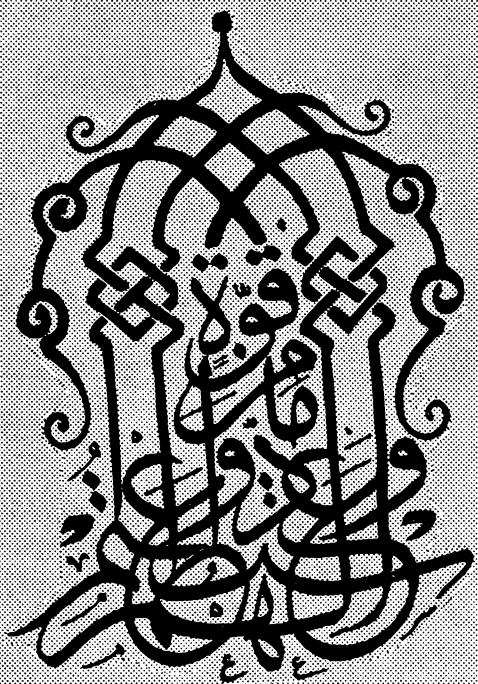
The Thamud (people) rejected the messengers. Behold, their brother Salih said to them: "Will you not fear (Allah)? I am to you a messenger worthy of all trust. So fear Allah, and obey me. No reward do I ask of you for it; my reward is only from the Lord of the Worlds. Will you be left secure, in (the enjoyment of) all that you have here? Gardens and springs, and cornfields and date palms with spathes near breaking (with the weight of fruit)? And you carve houses out of (rocky) mountains with great skill. But fear Allah and obey me. And follow not the bidding of those who are extravagant, who make mischief in the land, and med not (their ways)." They said: "You are only one of those bewitched! You are no more than a mortal like us; then bring us a sign, if you are telling the truth!" [Qur'an, 26:141-154]

In the same Surah of Al-Shu'araa' (The Poets) Allah informs us about Prophet Shu'aib with his people, the Companions of the Wood. He asked them to be honest in their business dealings.

They refused and he was accused of being bewitched. Allah says in this Surah the following:

كَذَبَ أَصْحَابُ
 لَئِكَةَ الْمُرْسَلِينَ ﴿١٧٦﴾ إِذْ قَالَ لَهُمْ شُعَيْبٌ أَلَا نَتَّقُونَ ﴿١٧٧﴾ إِنِّي لِكُمْ
 رَسُولٌ أَمِينٌ ﴿١٧٨﴾ فَأَنْقُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُونَ ﴿١٧٩﴾ وَمَا أَسْلَكُمْ عَلَيْهِ
 مِنْ أَجْرٍ إِنَّ أَجْرَى إِلَّا عَلَى رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ ﴿١٨٠﴾ أَوْفُوا الْكِيلَ وَلَا
 تَكُونُوا مِنَ الْمُخْسِرِينَ ﴿١٨١﴾ وَزِبُوْلًا لِلْقَسْطَابِينَ الْمُسْتَقِيمِ
 وَلَا تَبْخَسُوا النَّاسَ أَشْيَاءَ هُنْ وَلَا تَعْنَوْا فِي الْأَرْضِ مُفْسِدِينَ ﴿١٨٢﴾
 وَأَنْقُوا اللَّذِي خَلَقْتُمْ وَالْجِلَّةَ الْأَوَّلَيْنَ ﴿١٨٣﴾ فَأَلْوَأْ إِنَّمَا أَنْتَ
 مِنَ الْمَسْحَرِينَ ﴿١٨٤﴾ وَمَا أَنْتَ إِلَّا بَشَرٌ مِثْلُنَا وَإِنْ تَظْنُنَكَ لِيْنَ
 الْكَذِيْبِينَ ﴿١٨٥﴾

The Companions of the Wood rejected the messengers. Behold, Shu'aib said to them: Will you not fear (Allah)? I am to you a messenger worthy of all trust. So fear Allah and obey me. No reward do I ask of you for it; my reward is only from the Lord of the Worlds. Give just measure, and cause no loss (to others by fraud). And weigh with scales true and upright. And withhold not things justly due to me, nor do evil in the land, working mischief. And fear Him who created you and (who created) the generations before (you)." They said: "You art only one of those bewitched! You are no more than a mortal like us, and indeed we think you are a liar!" [Qur'an, 26:176-186]



"Against them make ready your strength to the utmost of your power ..."
[Qur'an, 8:60]

Protection from Shaitan

وَإِمَّا يَنْزَغَنَّكَ مِنَ
 الْشَّيْطَانِ نَزْغٌ فَاسْتَعِذْ بِاللَّهِ إِنَّهُ سَمِيعٌ عَلَيْهِ ﴿٢٠﴾ إِنَّ
 الَّذِينَ أَتَقْوَى إِذَا مَسَّهُمْ طَفِيفٌ مِّنَ الشَّيْطَانِ تَذَكَّرُوا
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 فَإِذَا هُمْ مُبْصِرُونَ

If a suggestion from Satan assails your (mind), seek refuge with Allah; for He hears and knows (all things). Those who fear Allah, when a thought of evil from Satan assaults them, bring Allah to remembrance, when lo! they see (aright)! [Qur'an 7:200-201]

While Shaitan is a sneaker, and while he is the enemy of human beings, he tries his best to trap people into situations so that they will be in trouble. If people are honest, sincere, and if they are to seek the truth from Allah, they will not fall into the traps of Shaitan. Even if he tries to put them in trouble, Allah will protect them from falling into his troubled network.

There are many Ayat in the Qur'an and a good number of Ahadith as to how people can protect themselves from falling into the traps of Shaitan. In Surah Fussilat (Explained) Allah instructs people to seek refuge in Him whenever Shaitan tries to trap them. The Qur'an states the following:

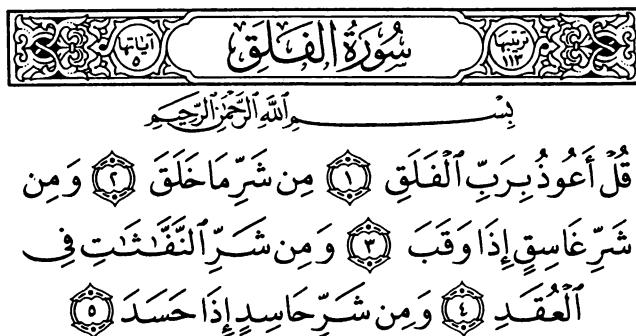
وَإِمَّا يَنْزَغَنَّكَ مِنَ الشَّيْطَنِ نُزْعٌ
 فَاسْتَعِذْ بِاللَّهِ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ



And if (at any time) an incitement to discord is made to you by the Satan, seek refuge in Allah. He is the One who hears and knows all things.
 [Qur'an 41:36]

Also, people should seek refuge in Allah on a daily basis by reading two Surah from the Qur'an. They are called Al-Mu'awzatain, i.e., the two Surah where people are to seek refuge in Allah from Satan the outcast are: Al-Falaq (The Dawn) and Al-Naas (Mankind):

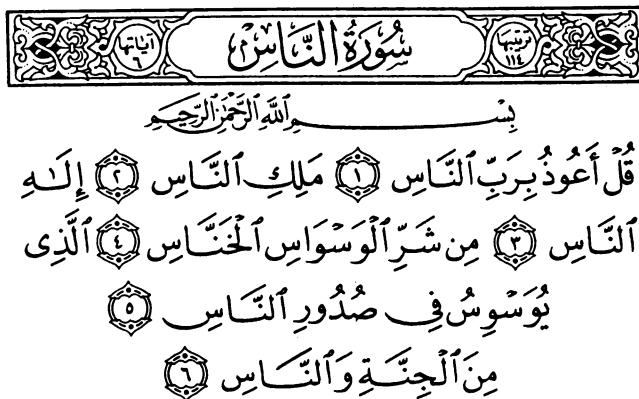
- ☞ Surah Al-Falaq is Surah number 113, and it goes as follows:



Al-Falaq, or The Dawn. In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful. Say: I seek refuge with the Lord of the Dawn, from the mischief of

created things; from the mischief of darkness as it overspreads; from the mischief of those who blow on knots; and from the mischief of the envious one as he practices envy. [Qur'an, 113:1-5]

- ☞ Surah Al-Naas is the very last Surah in the Qur'an. Its sequential number is 114, and it goes as follows:



Al-Naas, or Mankind. In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful. Say: I seek refuge with the Lord and Cherisher of Mankind, the King (or Ruler) of Mankind, the God (or Judge) of Mankind, from the mischief of the Whisperer (of Evil), who withdraws (after his whisper), who whispers into the hearts of Mankind, among Jinns and among Men. [Qur'an, 114:1-6]

Whenever Muslims read Qur'an they are instructed by Allah to seek refuge in Him from the outcast Satan and, in so doing, Allah will protect them from Shaitan and they will understand the meaning of the Qur'an. The Qur'an states explicitly in Surah Al-Nahl (The Bees) the following:

فَإِذَا قَرَأْتَ الْقُرْءَانَ

فَاسْتَعِذْ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَنِ الرَّجِيمِ ﴿٩٨﴾ إِنَّهُ لَنِسْلَمُونَ
 عَلَى الَّذِينَ أَمْنَوْا عَلَى رَبِّهِمْ يَتَوَكَّلُونَ ﴿٩٩﴾ إِنَّمَا
 سُلْطَنُهُ عَلَى الَّذِينَ يَتَوَلَّهُ وَالَّذِينَ هُمْ بِهِ مُشَرِّكُونَ



When you do read the Qur'an, seek Allah's protection from Satan the Rejected One. No authority has he over those who believe and put their trust in their Lord. His authority is over those only, who take him as patron and who join partners with Allah. [Qur'an 16:98-100]

As far as the Ahadith of the Prophet are concerned, they are given on different occasions for different purposes. The Ahadith are in the form of Du'a's. They are summarized here as follows:

● Fear, Loneliness and Insomnia

When someone is in a state of fear, loneliness or is having insomnia, the Prophet (pbuh) advised Muslims to make the following Du'a':

☞ It was narrated by Umar Ibn Shu'aib through his father and from his grandfather that the messenger of Allah said,

الذِّكْرُ عِنْدَ الْفَرْعَ وَالْأَرْقَ وَالْوَحْشَةِ

عن عمر بن شعيب عن أبيه عن جده ، أن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم قال : «إذا فزع أحدكم في النوم فليقل : أَعُوذُ بِكَلِمَاتِ اللهِ التَّامَاتِ مِنْ غَصَبِهِ وَعِقَابِهِ وَشَرِّ عِبَادِهِ ، وَمِنْ هَمَزَاتِ الشَّيَاطِينِ ، وَأَنْ يَخْضُرُونَ ، فَإِنَّهَا لَنَّ تَصْرُّهُ» .

قال : وكان ابن عمر يعلمها من بلغ من ولده ، ومن لم يبلغ منهم كتبها في صك وعلقها في عنقه . وإنستاده حسن .

When someone is in a state of fear during sleeping he should say: I seek refuge with the whole words of Allah from His anger, His punishment and from wickedness of people; and I seek refuge from the pricking of satans, and from their presence; therefore, nothing harm will hit him.

- ☞ Those who have insomnia can make the following Du'a.' It was narrated by Khalid Ibn Al-Waleed that the Prophet said,

عن خالد بن الوليد رضي الله عنه : أنه أصابه أرق فقال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم : «ألا أعلمك كلمات إذا قلتها نمت ، قل : اللهم رب السموات السبع وما أظلكت ورب الأرضين وما أقْلَتْ . ورب الشياطين وما أضلْتْ ، كنْ لي جاراً من شر خلقك كلهم جميعاً . أن يفرُط على أحد منهم أو أن يبغى علي عز جارك ، وجل شأنك ، ولا إله غيرك» . أو «لا إله إلا أنت .»
 رواه الطبراني في الكبير والأوسط ، وإسنادهجيد . إلا أن عبد الرحمن بن سابط لم يسمع من خالد . ذكره الحافظ التنري .

O Allah! you are the God of heavens and what they cover,... you are the God of the earth and what it contains,... you are the God of satans and what mischief they do, please be my protector from all the bad creatures that you have created,... and please protect me from anyone who wants to accuse me, or to transgress his limits on me. Blessed are those who are close to you,... Praise be to You the Exalted,... There is no god but You,... Ya Allah!..

● Seeing a Nightmare

When anyone sees a nightmare or anything that he hates, he should make the following Du'a':

- ☞ Jaber (R) narrated that the Messenger of Allah said,

ما يقوله ويفعله من رأى في منامه ما يكره

١ - عن جابر رضي الله عنه عن رسول الله أنه قال : « إذا رأى أحدكم

الرؤيا يكرهها فليبصق عن يساره ثلاثة ، وليستعد بالله من الشيطان الرجيم ، ولتحول عن جنبه الذي كان عليه .» رواه مسلم وأبو داود والنسائي وابن ماجه.

When someone sees unpleasant dreams, he should spit to his left three times and should seek refuge in Allah from the outcast Satan. Then he should turn to the other side of his sleep. Reported by Muslim, Abu Dawood, Nisa-ee and Ibn Majah.

● Abu Saeed Al-Khudari (R) narrated that the Prophet said,

٢ - وعن أبي سعيد الخدري أنه سمع النبي صل الله عليه وسلم يقول : « إذا رأى أحدكم الرؤيا يكرهها فإنما هي من الله ، فليحمد الله عليها ، وليحدث بما رأى ، وإذا رأى غير ذلك مما يكره فإنما هي من الشيطان ، فليستعد بالله من شرها ولا يذكرها لأحد فإنه لا تضره .» رواه الترمذى وقال : حديث حسن صحيح .

When someone sees a good dream that he likes, it is from Allah. He should thank Allah and should inform people about it. However, if he sees bad dreams, it is from Satan. He should seek refuge in Allah from any mischief. He should not talk about it to anyone. It will never harm him.

● Anger and Wrath

When someone is angry, mad and reaches a state of having wrath against any person, he should make a special Du'a.' In so doing he will cool down. It was reported that the Messenger of Allah said (narrated by Sulaiman Ibn Sard and reported by Bukhari and Muslim) that while Sulaiman was with the Prophet, two persons were blaming each other. The face of one became red and his jugular veins swelled. The Prophet said,

ما يقول عند الغضب

روى البخاري ومسلم عن سليمان بن صرد قال: كنت جالساً مع النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم ، ورجلان يستبانان : أحدهما قد احمر وجهه وانتفخت أو داجه فقال النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم : « إني لأعلم كلمة لو قالها ذهب عنه ما يجد ، لوقال : أعز بالله من الشيطان الرجيم ، ذهب عنه ». .

I know a statement if he says it, he will cool down. He should say: I seek refuge in Allah from Satan the Outcast.

● Hearing Donkey's Voice

الذكر عند صباح الديكة والنهاق والنباح

روى البخاري ومسلم عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم قال : « إذا سمعتم نهيق الحمير فتعوذوا بالله من الشيطان ؛ فإنها رأت شيطاناً ، وإذا سمعتم صباح الديكة فسلوا الله من فضله ؛ فإنها رأت ملكاً ». .

Abu Hurairah (R) reported that the Messenger said whenever people hear the voice of a donkey, they should seek refuge in Allah. The donkey has already seen a Satan and accordingly, it started making such a voice.

● Hearing Barking of Dogs

It was reported by Abu Dawood that the Messenger of Allah said that when people hear the barking of a dog or a voice of a donkey, they should seek refuge in Allah. Such animals have already seen the thing that people cannot see. The saying of the Prophet goes as follows:

وعند أبي داود « إذا سمعتم نباح الكلاب ونهيق الحمير بالليل فتعوذوا بالله منهن ، فإنهم يربّن ما لا ترون ». .

● Matrimonial Relationship

Islam teaches men and women how to observe good manners in sexual relationship. These manners are meant to keep a couple's relationship in harmony, as well as improve the human relations. Some of these manners are summarized as follows:

- ☞ Sex relation is sacred and should be in privacy of every living creature. No one should talk about it in public unless it is a matter of medical reason. No one should see them, even their own children or even animals if they are around them. It is reported that angels in the house shy away when a couple is involved in sexual relationship. It was reported in the book of hadith of Al-Bukhari, that the Prophet was asked whether it was okay for a person to expose his private organs and be nude in his private life without his wife. The answer was no, as long as Allah is seeing him. The hadith goes as follows:

الستر عند الجماع :

أمر الإسلام بستر العورة في كل حال إلا إذا اقتضى الأمر كشفها. فعن بهز بن حكيم عن أبيه عن جده قال : قلت : يا نبی الله : عوراتنا ما نأبى منها وما نذر ؟ قال : احفظ عورتك إلا من زوجتك ، أو ما ملكت يمينك . قلت : يا رسول الله إذا كان القوم بعضهم في بعض ؟ قال : إن استطعت لا يرآها أحد فلا يرآها . قال : قلت : إذا كان أحدهنا خالياً ؟ قال : فالله أحق أن يستحبنا من الناس . رواه الترمذی ، وقال حديث حسن .

- ☞ A couple involved in sexual acts should be under a sheet cover to prevent indecency and avoid exposure.
- ☞ They should keep some type of cloth on their bodies so that they don't look completely naked like animals.

- ☞ Preferably, the couple should perform ablution before having sexual intercourse.
- ☞ It is better to start with the Name of Allah, and then to read Surah Al-Ikhlas (Purity of Faith) in the Qur'an. The couple should say,

النسمة عند الجماع :

يسن أن يسمى الإنسان ويستعيد عند الجماع . روى البخاري ومسلم وغيرهما ، عن ابن عباس أن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم قال : « لو أن أحدكم إذا أتى أهله ، قال : بسم الله ، اللهم جنبنا الشيطان ، وجنب الشيطان ما رزقنا . فإن قدر بيهما في ذلك ولد ، لن بضر ذلك الولد الشيطان أبداً » .

Bismillah! ... O Allah! Protect us from Satan, and protect our offspring from him too.

-Agreed-

- ☞ The husband is not to get involved in primary sexual intercourse before getting involved with the tertiary and secondary sexual relationship.
- ☞ Islam prohibits eccentric, violent, harmful and dirty forms of sexual relationships.
- ☞ Islam recommends that the couple don't stare at the private parts of one another.

● Entering Washroom

The best place for the devil to inhabit in the house is the washroom. Therefore, Prophet Muhammad advised the Muslims to make a Du'a' before entering the washroom. In the Du'a' one has to ask Allah to protect him from the males and females of

those satans living in such places. In the Du'a' narrated by Anas the Prophet (pbuh) said the following:

٣ - الجهر بالتسمية والاستعاذه عند الدخول في البناء وعند تشمير الثياب في النساء : لحديث أنس رضي الله عنه قال : كان النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم إذا أراد أن يدخل الحلاء قال : « بسم الله، اللهم إني أعوذ بك من **الخُبُثِ**^(٢) و**الخَبَائِثِ** » رواه الجماعة .

In the name of Allah, O Allah I seek refuge in you from the males and females (of Satans). - Jama'at Reported -

● Entering the House

In Sahih Muslim narrated by Jabir that the Messenger of Allah advised the Muslims to make a special Du'a' while entering their houses. A series of Du'a' were given by the Prophet to a good number of his companions. One of these Du'a' is the following, narrated by Jaber that he heard the Messenger of Allah saying,

أذكار دخول المنزل

١ - في صحيح مسلم عن جابر قال : سمعت رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم يقول : « إذا دخل الرجل بيته فذكر الله تعالى عند دخوله ، وعند طعامه ، قال الشيطان : لا مبيت لكم ولا عشاء . وإذا دخل فلم يذكر الله تعالى عند دخوله ، قال الشيطان : أدركتم الميت ، فإذا لم يذكر الله تعالى عند طعامه قال : أدركتم الميت والعشاء . »

When a person enters his house and he remembers Allah's name, as well as when he eats, Satan says: there is no way that we can inhabit and sleep here or eat at this house. However, when he enters the house without remembering the name of Allah, Satan says we have a place to live tonight; and if he does not remember the name of Allah at the time of eating, Satan says we have tonight a place to stay and food to eat.

● Going Out of the House

Abu Dawood reported in his Sunan that Anas (R) narrated that the Prophet (pbuh) advised the Muslims to make a Du'a' while leaving their houses. The following is to be made so that the person will be protected from Shaitan. It goes as follows (narrated by Anas) that the Messenger of Allah said,

أذكار الخروج من المنزل

١ - روی أبو داود عن أنس أن رسول الله صلی الله علیه وسلم قال :
 « من قال - يعني إذا خرج من بيته - : بسم الله توكلت على الله ، ولا حول
 ولا قوّة إلا بالله . يقال له كفّيت ووُقِيت وهديت ، وتنحى عنه الشيطان فيقول
 لشيطان آخر : كيف لك برجل قد هدي وكتني ووقي .. »

Anyone who leaves his house and say, "In the name of Allah, I rely on Allah, there is no effort and no power except from Allah," he will be inspired that he is to have enough of his needs, protected and guided. Also Satan gets away from him saying to another Satan: you cannot invade a person who is guided, given enough for his needs and is protected too.

● Travelling

It was narrated by Ibn Umar and by Umar Ibn Shu'aib from his father and from his grandfather that the Prophet (pbuh) said,

استحباب اتخاذ الأصحاب والرفقاء :

١ - روی أحمد عن ابن عمر رضي الله عنهمَا : أن النبي صلی الله علیه وسلم هى عن الوحدة : أن يتَبَيَّنَ الرَّجُلُ وحْدَهُ ، أو يسافرَ وحْدَهُ .

٢ - وعن عمر بن شعيب عن أبيه عن جده : أن النبي صلی الله علیه وسلم قال : « الراكب شيطان ، والراكبان شيطانان ، والثلاثة ركب ». .

A single traveller is Satan, travellers of two are two satans, while travellers of three are real travellers.

● More Protection from Shaitan

To be protected from Shaitan on a daily basis from morning to the evening, one has to read a special Du'a' that was prescribed by Prophet Muhammad. The prescription is free; it works effectively; and it does not have any side effects. All what it takes is that a person should be interested to live in peace and harmony, a person who wants to live a happy life, and a person who is committed to the prescription, i.e., that he is interested to make use of it.

The following prescription was given to all of us so that we will be protected from Shaitan and his mischievous activities for the whole day. However, the prescription has to be used daily in order to be effective. One has to read this prescription:

الحرز من الشيطان

« مَنْ قَالَ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ، وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ
وَلَهُ الْحَمْدُ وَهُوَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ، فِي يَوْمٍ مَائِهَةَ مَرَّةٍ كَانَتْ
لَهُ عَدْلٌ عَشْرَ رَقَابٍ، وَكُتُبَتْ لَهُ مَائَةُ حَسَنَةٍ، وَمُحِيطٌ عَنْهُ
مَائَةُ سَيِّئَةٍ، وَكَانَتْ لَهُ حِزْرًا مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ يَوْمَهُ ذَلِكَ حَتَّىٰ
يُمُسِّي، وَلَمْ يَأْتِ أَحَدٌ بَأَفْضَلَ مِمَّا جَاءَ بِهِ إِلَّا رَجُلٌ عَمِلَ
أَكْثَرَ مِنْهُ ». (رواه البخاري ومسلم عن أبي هريرة رضي الله عنه)

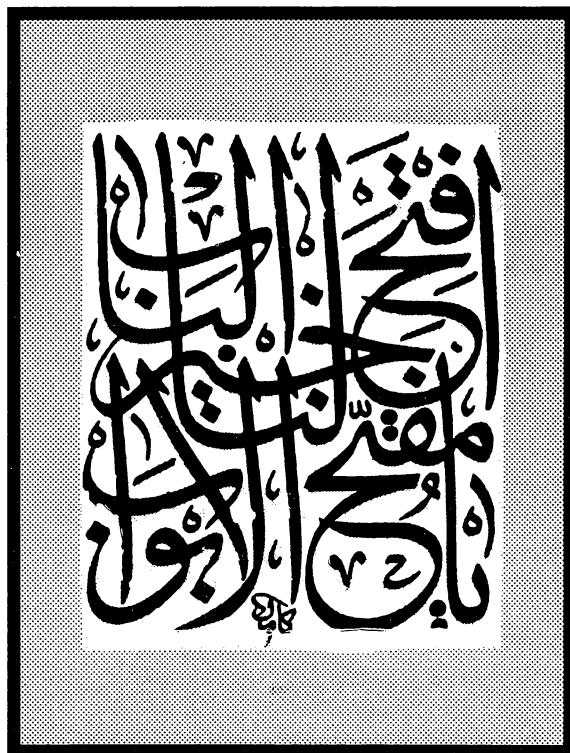
Whoever says,

*La Ilaha Illa-llah, Wahdahu La sharika Lahu,
Lahul Mulk wa Lahul Hamd, wa Huwa 'Alaa
Kulli shay-inn Qadeer.*

***There is no one worthy of worship except Allah,
the Only One; there is no partner with Him; He
has the whole universe under His control; thanks
are due to Him; and He has the power above
everything.***

one hundred times daily, he will get rewards of freeing ten captives; he will get one hundred blessings, one hundred mistakes will be wiped out, and it will be a protection for him/her from Shaitan all that day till the night. No one will get a better reward except a person who did more than that.¹

¹ Narrated by Abu Hurairah and recorded in the books of Bukhari and Muslim.



*O You (Allah) who opens the doors,
open the best door for us.*

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EXORCISM

In chapter 19, the idea of protecting ourselves from the devil and from the evil eye was discussed. Also discussed was a series of prescriptions for many facets of life and how to protect ourselves from the mischievous Shaitan. This chapter discusses the idea of exorcism.

Those who did not protect themselves, and those who did not know how to protect themselves, they are liable to be harmed by either human beings or by Shaitan. Sometimes some people are so weak that Shaitan may haunt their bodies. Therefore, they become possessed. Those who are possessed by Shaitan have to use the curative approaches instead of the preventive measures. To be possessed and to be haunted by a jinn is something that is known in the past history. It is also documented by Hadith, Seerah and above all, by the Qur'an. The following is a series of collections about different situations.

- **Demanding Jinn to Get Out**

Ahmad collected in his Musnad from 'Abdullah Ibn Numayr from Ya'lala Ibn Marrah who said:

I saw Allah's messenger (pbuh) do three things which no one before or after me saw. I went with him on a trip. On the way we passed by a woman sitting at the roadside with a young boy. She called out, "O messenger of Allah! This boy is afflicted with a trial and from him we have also been afflicted with a trial. I do not know how many times per day he is seized by fits." He said,

"Give him to me." So she lifted him up to the Prophet. He then placed the boy between himself and the middle of the saddle, opened the boy's mouth and blew in it three times saying, "In the name of Allah, I am the slave of Allah, get out enemy of Allah." Then he gave the boy back to her and said, "Meet us on our return in this same place and inform us about how he has faired." We then went and on our return we found her in the same place with three sheep. He said to her, "How has your young boy faired?" She replied, "By the One who sent you with the truth, we have not detected anything (unusual) in his behaviour up to this time, so take these sheep." He said, "Get down and take one, and return the rest."

- **Cursing Jinn to Get Out**

The other method that was used by the Prophet is the idea of cursing the jinn to get out of the possessed person. It was reported by Abu Al-Dardaa' in Sahih Muslim that he said the Prophet stood up (in prayer) and heard him say:

I seek refuge in Allah from you (Shaitan). I curse you by Allah's curse. I curse you by Allah's curse. I curse you by Allah's curse.

- **Beating the Possessed Person**

Sometimes it is difficult to get rid of Shaitan from the body of the possessed. By reading Qur'an, or by requesting the devil to get out, may not be enough. Hence, one has to curse the devil and beat the person while reading Qur'an.

It was reported in the Musnad of Ahmad and the Sunan of Abu Dawood that a narration from Umm Abaan from her father, Al-Waazi', that her grandfather, Az-Zaari' Ibn 'Aamir Al-'Abdee, went to the messenger with a son of his who was insane. He narrated:

When we reached Allah's messenger (pbuh), I said: "I have with me a son who is insane whom I have brought for you to pray to Allah for." The messenger said: "Bring him to me." So I went to get him from the group of riding animals. I took off his travelling clothes and put on good clothes, and took him by the hand back to the messenger of Allah. He said: "Bring him closer to me and turn his back to me." He then grabbed his garment and began to beat him on his back so much so that I saw the whiteness of his armpits. While doing so he said: "Get out enemy of Allah! Enemy of Allah get out!" The boy then began to gaze in a healthy manner quite different from his earlier gaze. Allah's messenger then sat him down directly in front of him, called for some water for him and wiped his face, then he prayed for him. After the messenger of Allah's prayer, there was none in the delegation better than him.

Curing a possessed person and the removal of the jinn may require the afflicted individual be beaten many times. Such beating will fall on the jinn while the possessed human does not feel these blows on his body. When a demented person regains consciousness he would be a witness to those around him that he did not feel the pain of the beating. At the same time there will be no effect, or any trace mark from the beating on the body.

- At Time of Anger

As human beings, we have our emotions. We react in either positive or negative emotions. Sometimes we may lose our logic and we cannot control our emotions. Hence, we behave in a strange way.

For those who lose control of their emotions and react negatively, they have to be advised in advance what to do in such a situation. Our beloved Prophet gave us a prescription that makes us control our negative behavior. By using it, we will not show our anger and madness. Our blood pressure will stay normal. All what it takes is that a person has to read the following statement at the time of anger and wrath:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ ○

I seek refuge in Allah from the outcast Shaitan.

From a personal experience, dealing with children fighting one another and with family counselling, this prescription has worked beautifully. I encourage that we recite it loudly for at least three times at the time of anger. Allah will send special angels to protect us from the mischievous Shaitan. Remember what Allah said in Surah Fussilat (Clearly Spelled Out):

وَإِمَّا يَرَغَبَ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ فَنَزِعُ

فَاسْتَعِذُ بِاللَّهِ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ ٢٦

And if (at any time) an incitement to discord is made to thee by the Evil One, seek refuge in Allah. He is the One who hears and knows all things. [Qur'an, 41:36]

- **Writings of Ta'weezah**

In many places in the world we see people who go to a person that claims himself to be an '*alim*', a *mulvi*, or a *peer*. They ask him to write them a Ta'weezah or a Hijab to be used under their armpit, or under the pillow on their bed, or to be put on the wall in their houses, shops or other places as well to be put in their cars.

As far as those who seek help against demons by using written or spoken words and phrases whose meanings are unknown, are committing shirk. Those who practice it, those who ask for it, and those who use it are committing shirk. Most of those who write Ta'weezah or Hijab mix verses from Qur'an to hide their shirk. At the same time they call upon some angels to help them. They should understand that the help is from Allah and not from angels.

The most stupid thing is that they call upon the "people of the cave" with their names. They also call upon the dog of the people of the cave to come forward and help them against the devil that possessed them. Such type of writing is a real shirk.

As we are aware, Allah may forgive any person for his mistakes, but He will never forgive a person who commits shirk. Allah says about such individuals who commit shirk the following Ayah in Surah Al-Nisaa' (The Women):

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَعْفُرُ أَن يُشْرِكُ بِهِ وَيَعْفُرُ مَادُونَ
 ذَلِكَ لِمَن يَشَاءُ وَمَن يُشْرِكُ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدِ افْتَرَ إِثْمًا عَظِيمًا
 أَلَمْ تَرِ إِلَى الَّذِينَ يُرِكُونَ أَنفُسُهُمْ بَلِ اللَّهُ يَرِكِي مَن يَشَاءُ ﴿٤٨﴾

Allah forgives not that partners should be set up with Him; but He forgives anything else, to whom He pleases; to set up partners with Allah is to devise a sin most heinous indeed. [Qur'an, 4:48]

For the sake of curiosity the author wishes to present an example among many that he saw and found in life. Such a Ta'weezah was written by a so-called *Mawlana* who is a hafiz and a qari' of Qur'an. He is also an appointed Imam with one community center in U.S.A. The matter here is not who he is, but what he has written to a poor ignorant Muslim. The *Mawlana* demanded that he should be paid few hundred U.S. dollars for writing such a shirk prescription. The poor fellow paid the *Mawlana*, and he used such prescription to get rid of the demons from his place.

Muslims should wake up from their ignorance and study Islam. They should not stay ignorant. They should never go to such a *Mawlana*. The latter person should be exposed for his cheating and stealing the money of the innocent and the ignorant individuals. Muslims should recognize that there are halal approaches to exorcism directly from Qur'an and Sunnah. We should rely on those halal methods and shun away from the haram dealings.

The author of this book prays to Allah to guide us and to show us the right methods of earning halal money through halal approaches. We have already the halal ways of either the preventive or the curative methods. Whoever follows the haram is to be blamed and to be penalized in this world and in the hereafter.

Tree of Zaqqoom

أَذْلَكَ حَيْرٌ نُرَّلَا أَمْ شَجَرَةٌ

الرَّفُومُ ٦٣ إِنَّا جَعَلْنَاهَا فِتْنَةً لِلظَّالِمِينَ إِنَّهَا شَجَرَةٌ

تَخْرُجُ فِي أَصْلِ الْجَحِيمِ ٦٤ طَلَعُهَا كَانْهُرٌ وَسُلَيْطِينٌ

فَإِنَّهُمْ لَا يَكُونُونَ مِنْهَا فَمَا لَهُؤُلَاءِ مِنْهَا أَبْطَوْنَ ٦٥ شَمَّ إِنَّ لَهُمْ

عَلَيْهَا الشَّوَّبَامُونُ حَمِيمٌ ٦٦ شَمَّ إِنَّ مَرْجَعَهُمْ لِإِلَيَّ الْجَحِيمِ

Is that the better entertainment or the Tree of Zaqqoom? For We have truly made it (as) a trial for the wrongdoers. For it is a tree that springs out of the bottom of Hellfire: The shoots of its fruit-stalks are like the heads of devils: Truly they will eat thereof and fill their bellies therewith. Then on top of that they will be given a mixture made of boiling water. Then shall their return be to the (blazing) fire. [Qur'an, 37:62-68]

The tree of zaqqoom has been mentioned in the Qur'an in many places. To get a complete picture about it, its location, its appearance, the taste of its fruits, and for whom it is to be given as food, one has to read all the Ayat related to it in the Qur'an.

However, the Ayat related to the discussion here are those mentioned at the beginning of this section in Surah Al-Saffat.

Such plants are meant for the unbelievers who should go to hell on the Day of Judgement. The Tree of Zaqqoom has the worst food that one can imagine. The tree is found at the bottom of hell. The unbelievers are to be taken to that place to eat from it. The appearance of the fruits is similar to the heads of satans. One has to ask the question as to the shape of the faces of devils. Are the fruits to be so awful or so beautiful? Why those unbelievers have to fill their bellies from such a plant? Is it because they are so hungry, or because the appearance of the fruits are so attractive. This means that the appearance could be so beautiful or so awful. On either case its existence does entice people to eat from it.

The problem is that after eating from the tree, the unbelievers are to feel very thirsty to the extent they cannot sit still. Therefore, they are taken immediately to drink a mixture of boiling water. Such type of foods and drinks are to cut up the entrails of people in hell.

To complete the discussion about this tree of zaqqoom, Mr. Yusuf Ali in his translation of the Qur'an says the following (footnote #4073):

This dreadful bitter Tree of Hell is truly a trial to the wrong-doers. (1) It grows at the bottom of Hell; (2) even its fruit-stalks, which should have been tender, are like the heads of devils; (3) its produce is eaten voraciously; (4) on top of it is a boiling mixture to cut up their entrails; and (5) every time they complete this round of orgies they return to the same game. A truly lurid picture, but more lurid in reality are the stages of Evil. (1) It takes its rise in the lowest depths of corrupted human nature; (2) its tenderest affections are degraded to envy and hate; (3) the appetite for Evil grows with what it feeds on; (4) its "cures" serve

but to aggravate the disease; and (5) the chain of evil is unending; one round is followed by another in interminable succession.

To give a better picture about this particular tree and its being the food for the unbelievers, one has to quote the Qur'an. In Surah Al-Dukhan (The Smoke) Allah says the following about that tree:

إِنَّ شَجَرَةَ الرَّزْقُومِ^{٤٣}
 طَعَامُ الظَّالِمِ^{٤٤} كَالْمُهَلَّ يَغْلِي فِي الْبَطْوَنِ^{٤٥} كَغُلى
 الْحَمِيمِ^{٤٦} حَذْوَهُ فَأَعْتَلُوهُ إِلَى سَوَاءِ الْجَحِيمِ^{٤٧} ثُمَّ
 صُبُوا فَوْقَ رَأْسِهِ مِنْ عَذَابِ الْحَمِيمِ^{٤٨}

Verily the tree of Zaqqoom will be the food of the sinful, like molten brass; it will boil in their insides, like the boiling of scalding water. (A voice will cry:) "Seize him and drag him into the midst of the blazing fire! Then pour over his head the chastisement of boiling water." [Qur'an, 44:43-48]

Moreover, in Surah Al-Waqi'ah (The Inevitable) Allah explains the behavior of the sinful who are to feed on the fruits of the zaqqoom tree. The following are the verses from Qur'an:

ثُمَّ إِنَّكُمْ أَيْمَانَ الصَّالُونَ الْمُكَذِّبُونَ^{٥١} لَا يَكُونُونَ مِنْ شَجَرَةِ رَزْقُومٍ
 فَالَّذِينَ مِنْهَا الْبَطْوَنَ^{٥٢} فَشَرِبُونَ عَلَيْهِ مِنَ الْحَمِيمِ^{٥٣} فَشَرِبُونَ
 شُرْبَ الْهَمِيمِ^{٥٤} هَذَا نُرْثُمُ يَوْمَ الدِّينِ

"Then will you truly -- O you that go wrong, and treat (Truth) as Falsehood! -- You will surely taste of the tree of zaqqoom. Then you will fill your insides therewith, and drink boiling water on top of it. Indeed you shall drink like diseased camels raging with thirst!" Such will be their entertainment on the Day of Requital! [Qur'an, 56:51-56]

Last but not the least, this tree of zaqqoom has been given the nickname of the cursed tree. The Qur'an is explicit about this idea. In Surah Al-Israa' (The Night Journey) Allah says the following:

وَإِذْ قُلْنَا لَكَ إِنَّ رَبَّكَ أَحَاطَ بِالنَّاسِ وَمَا
جَعَلْنَا الرُّؤْيَا الَّتِي أَرَيْنَاكَ إِلَّا فِتْنَةً لِلنَّاسِ وَالشَّجَرَةُ الْمَلْعُونَةُ
فِي الْقُرْبَاءِ إِنَّ وَنْعَوْفُهُمْ فَمَا يَرِدُهُمْ إِلَّا طَغْيَانًا كَبِيرًا

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Behold! We told thee that your Lord does encompass mankind round about; We granted the vision which We showed you, but as a trial for men, as also the cursed tree (mentioned) in the Qur'an; We put fear (and warning) into them, but it only increases their inordinate transgression!
[Qur'an, 17:60]



وَإِذْ صَرَفْنَا إِلَيْكَ نَفَرَ مِنَ الْجِنِّ يَسْتَمِعُونَ كَالْقُرْءَانَ فَلَمَّا
خَضَرُوهُ قَالُوا أَنْصِتُوْا فَلَمَّا قُضِيَ وَلَوْلَا إِلَى قَوْمِهِمْ مُنْذِرِينَ
فَأَلْوَأْيَقُومَنَا إِنَّا سَمِعْنَا كِتَابًا أُنزِلَ مِنْ بَعْدِ مُوسَىٰ
مُصَدِّقًا لِمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ يَهْدِي إِلَى الْحَقِّ وَإِلَى طَرِيقٍ مُسْتَقِيمٍ
يَقُومُنَا أَجِبُوْا دَاعِيَ اللَّهِ وَأَمْنُوْيَهُ بَغْفَرْلَكُمْ مِنْ
ذُنُوبِكُمْ وَبِحَرْكَمْ مِنْ عَذَابِ أَلِيمٍ
وَمَنْ لَا يُحِبَّ دَاعِيَ اللَّهِ
فَلَيْسَ بِمُعَجِزِ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَيْسَ لَهُ مِنْ دُونِهِ أُولَئِكَ
فِي ضَلَالٍ مُبِينٍ

Behold, We turned towards you a company of Jinns (quietly) listening to the Qur'an: when they stood in the presence thereof, they said, "Listen in silence!" When the (reading) was finished, they returned to their people, to warn (them) of their sins. They said, "O our people! We have heard a Book revealed after Moses, confirming what came before it: it guides (men) to the truth and to a Straight Path. O our people, hearken to the one who invites (you) to Allah, and believe in him: He will forgive you your faults, and deliver you from a Penalty Grievous. If any does not hearken to the one who invites (us) to Allah, he cannot frustrate (Allah's Plan) on earth, and no protectors can he have besides Allah: such men (wander) in manifest error. [Qur'an, 46:29-32]

As has been demonstrated at the beginning of this book, that there are two groups of Jinns: the believers and the satanic ones. The latter group has other nicknames such as demons, the unbelievers, the evil ones, etc.

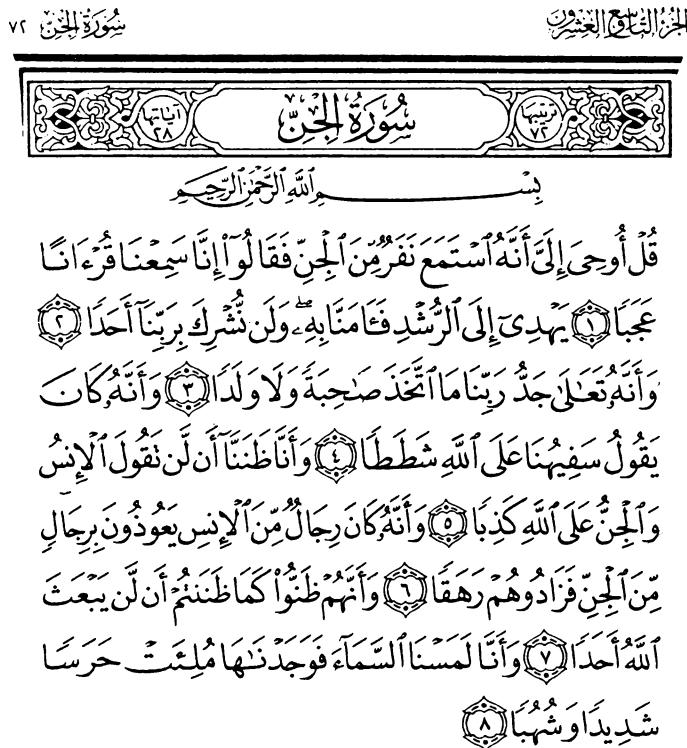
In this chapter, the author wishes to discuss those Jinns who are believers. In the previous verses in Surah Al-Ahqaf (The Winding Sand Tracks), Allah sent a group of Jinns to Prophet Muhammad to listen to his recitation of Qur'an. He did not see them and he did not know of their presence but was informed by Allah later about the incident.

After listening to the beautiful recitation of the Qur'an, they accepted his message and accepted Muhammad as a Prophet and a messenger. Immediately they went to their tribes and their families and invited them to be believers in Allah, His Messenger Muhammad, and in the message that was revealed to him from Allah. They acted as good da'iyah. They even warned their families that whoever does not want to accept the message will be doomed to hell. Since that time until the Day of Judgement the good believers of jinns are practicing the teachings of the Qur'an in their own domains and within their own duties and responsibilities. However, we do not know how they apply the teachings of the Qur'an in their daily life. We do not know how they pray and fast; we do not know how they pay Zakat and perform Hajj. We do not know how they apply the rules of marriage, divorce, custody, inheritance, burial, and many other obligations. All what we know is that they believe in the message of the Qur'an and they preach that message to their families.

A special Surah was revealed to Prophet Muhammad, the title of which is Al-Jinn. It is Surah number 72 and it was revealed in Makkah. The theme of this Surah is about the Jinns who believed in the Message, the Mission and Prophethood of Muhammad. The question that was passed implicitly that while people refused in the

Messenger and the Message, the Jinns became Muslims. They also submitted themselves to the Will of Allah. The Jinns were surprised and shocked as to the negative attitude of the people around the Prophet. Instead of believing in Muhammad and be guided through the Qur'anic teachings, they followed the satanic Jinns: They believed in them for help and protection instead of asking Allah for His Help and Protection. They are, of course, the losers in this world, while on the Day of Judgement they shall be the fuel of Hell.

The following verses are related to the above discussion. Allah says in that Surah the following:



وَأَنَا كُنَّا فَعْدٌ مِنْهَا مَقْنَعٌ لِلسَّمْعِ فَمَنْ
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 بِمَنْ فِي الْأَرْضِ أَمْ أَرَادَ بِهِمْ رُهْبَرَشَدًا ﴿٢﴾ وَأَنَا مِنَ الْأَصْنَلِحُونَ
 وَمِنَادُونَ ذَلِكَ كَنَاطِرَاقِ قِدَدَا ﴿٣﴾ وَأَنَا ظَنَنَّا أَنَّ لَنْ تُعَجِّزَ
 اللَّهُ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَنْ تُعَجِّزَ هُرَيَا ﴿٤﴾ وَأَنَا الْمَاسِعُونَ الْمَهْدَى
 أَمَنَّا بِهِ فَمَنْ يُؤْمِنُ بِرَبِّهِ فَلَا يَخَافُ بَخْسَا وَلَارَهْفَا ﴿٥﴾
 وَأَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ وَمِنَ الْقَسِطُونَ فَمَنْ أَسْلَمَ فَأُولَئِكَ
 تَخْرُوْرَشَدًا ﴿٦﴾ وَأَمَا الْقَسِطُونَ فَكَانُوا لِجَهَنَّمَ حَطَبَا ﴿٧﴾
 وَأَلَوْ أَسْتَقْمُوْعَلَى الْطَّرِيقَةِ لِأَسْقِينَهُمْ مَاءَ عَذْفَا ﴿٨﴾ لِنَفَقَتِهِمْ
 فِيهِ وَمَنْ يُعِرِضُ عَنْ ذِكْرِ رَبِّهِ يَسْلُكُهُ عَذَابًا صَعْدَا ﴿٩﴾

Al-Jinn, the Jinn. In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful. Say: It has been revealed to me that a company of Jinns listened (to the Qur'an). They said, "We have really heard a wonderful recital! it gives guidance to the right, and we have believed therein: we shall not join (in worship) any (gods) with our Lord and exalted is the Majesty of our Lord: He has taken neither a wife nor a son. There were some foolish ones among us, who used to utter extravagant lies against Allah; but we do think that no man or Jinn should say aught that is untrue against Allah. True, there were persons among mankind who took shelter with persons among the Jinns, but they increased them into further error and they (came to) think as you thought, that Allah would

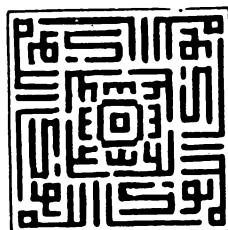
not raise up any one (to Judgment) and we pried into the (secrets of) heaven; but we found it filled with stern guards and flaming fires. We used, indeed, to sit there in (hidden) stations, to (steal) a hearing; but any who listens now will find a flaming fire watching him in ambush and we understand not whether ill is intended to those on earth, or whether their Lord (really) intends to guide them to right conduct. There are among us some that are righteous, and some the contrary: we follow divergent paths. But we think that we can by no means frustrate Allah throughout the earth, nor can we escape Him by flight and as for us, since we have listened to the Guidance, we have accepted it: and any who believes in his Lord has no fear, either of a short (account) or of any injustice. Amongst us are some that submit their wills (to Allah), and some that swerve from justice. Now those who submit their wills-they have sought out (the path) of right conduct: but those who swerve, they are (but) fuel for Hell-fire (and Allah's Message is): "If they (the Pagans) had (only) remained on the (right) Way, We should certainly have bestowed on them Rain in abundance. That we might try them by that (means). But if any turns away from the remembrance of his Lord, He will cause him to undergo ever-growing chastisement." [Qur'an, 72:1-17]

It should be stated here that Prophet Muhammad had a hard time in his life in delivering the Message of Allah to his people. Most of them refused to accept the belief in the Oneness of God. The eleventh year of his mission, he lost his wife, Khadijah; he lost his uncle, Abu Talib; and when he went to the City of Ta'if, the people there refused him and did not allow him to enter the city.

Rather, they maltreated him and sent their gangs to throw him with stones. They wounded him. The Prophet made a memorable prayer of faith and humility which he offerd in the midst of his sufferings. After he returned from this journey to Makkah, Jinns accepted his mission. Such revelation gave him peace, happiness, tranquility, and thanks to Allah.

Within few months, Allah sent him some people from Madinah and gave him a pledge of allegiance to Allah. They encouraged him to migrate to them. That agreement (Bay'ah) was the foundation of the Hijrah which had to change the fate of Arabia and the course of world-history.

By going back to the story of the believing Jinns, one recognizes that even some of the Jinns refused to believe, and they swerved. The latter group allowed some people to follow them. By so doing, they went astray. Those who follow the Jinns are considered Mushriks.



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Inquiries About Al-Jinn

Q1. Is Ibliss a jinn or an angel?

A1. Ibliss is a member of the jinn community. He was the chief of all the jinn. He was the father of all the jinn. Similarly, Adam was the father of all human beings. See chart for the types of creatures that Allah created.

Types of Creatures
1. Angels <----> Gabriel is the chief of all angels
2. Jinn <--- -----> Ibliss is the father of all jinn
3. Human beings <-----> Adam and Eve
4. Land animals
5. Sea animals
6. Amphibians
7. Flying birds
8. Insects
9. Microbes
10. Viruses
11. Plants
12. Other creatures on other planets

Q2. Who are the jinn?

A2. The jinn are among the creatures that Allah created. Allah created angels, jinn, mankind, animals, plants and others. Jinn have some qualities like human beings. These qualities are intellect, discrimination, freedom and the

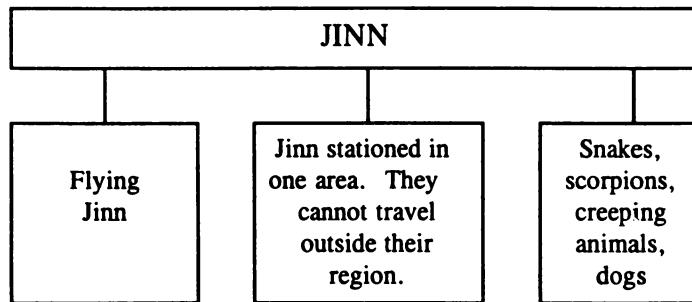
power to choose between right and wrong, between true and false, as well as between good and bad.

Q3. When did Allah create the jinn?

A3. Allah created the jinn before Adam was created. Both were created in heaven and lived in paradise. One may read in Surah Al-Hijr (The Rocky Tract) [Qur'an, 15:26-27]. However, nothing was mentioned about the duration of time of the jinn's creation before Adam.

Q4. How many types of jinn are there?

A4. There are three types of jinn. The Hadith of the Prophet states that one type flies through the air. The other type of jinn consist of snakes, scorpions, creeping things of the earth and dogs. The third type are based in one place but they travel about and around their own place. See diagram of the three types of jinn.



Q5. From what are the jinn created?

A5. Jinn are created from fire of hot wind [Qur'an 15:27]; and from smokeless fire [Qur'an 55:15]. They were originally made from fire and then molded and shaped in the form

and shape that Allah wanted them to be. This means that they do not anymore possess their fiery nature. It is not known therefore, their final shape, form and chemical composition. Since we can't see them, therefore, it is not easy to do any analysis of their chemical nature. In contrast, mankind was created from soil, mud, and clay. They were molded as human being. Our final form is no more mud or clay.

Q6. What is the goal of Shaitan?

A6. The main purpose of Shaitan is to convince people to follow him. He knows exactly that he is to be punished in Fire-Hell. So he wants as many people as possible to go with him, so that he will not feel lonely and miserable.

Q7. Do jinn have bodies?

A7. Yes and no! It depends upon the information that one depends upon. One group of scholars believe that jinn do not have bodies of their own. They also do not inhabit bodies of other creatures. However, they do exist independently by themselves. Therefore, they do not know how they do exist without bodies: smoke, flame, fire or what?

The other group of scholars do believe that jinn do have bodies either definite or subtle ones. If their bodies are definite then they have some density; otherwise, if they are subtle, then they are so fine that our weak eyes cannot see them. One may read Surah Al-A'raf (The Heights) [Qur'an, 7:27]. Even if they are subtle they should have weight and density similar to that of the air itself.

Q8. Do jinn have other names?

A8. Yes. They do have several names.

- (1) Jinni is referred to one particular jinn.
- (2) Shaitan: A jinni who is malicious, vicious and wicked.
- (3) 'Ifrit: A jinni who is stronger and more powerful than a shaitan.
- (4) 'Amir: Resident jinni who lives with people.

Q9. Do Jinn have power to take on forms?

A9. Yes. Jinn do take on forms and change shapes. They can take the form of snakes, scorpions, horses, cattle, sheep, camels, birds and other animals. Surprisingly, they can appear in human form too.

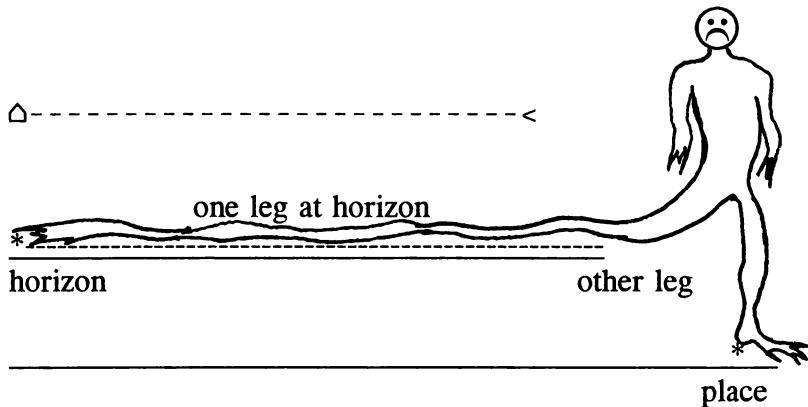
Q10. What types of power do jinn have?

A10. Jinn have the power of fast movement, and the power of carrying heavy things from place to place in a twinkling of an eye. One may refer to the story of Prophet Sulayman and the 'Ifrit of the jinn who was able to bring the throne of the queen of Yemen to Jerusalem. One may read the Qur'an, Surah Al-Naml (The Ants) [Qur'an, 27:39].

Jinn have the power to rise up to high places outside the earth's orbit to steal information. Whoever does that, he receives meteorites to burn him into ash.

Q11. Do jinn walk?

A11. Yes. Jinn do walk in as much as they fly. Jinn walk with one sandal only. Our Prophet (pbuh) recommended us not to walk with one sandal so that we avoid imitating Shaitan. In a twinkling of an eye, a jinn can walk from his place to the horizon area. One foot could be here, and the other foot reaches the horizon.

**Q12. Do jinn die?**

A12. Yes. Jinn do die. As long as they are creatures created by Allah, they should die. They are creatures that marry, produce children, eat, drink and die like all other creatures in the universe. One may read Qur'an Surah Al-Rahman (The Most Merciful) [Qur'an, 55:26-28].

Q13. When is the best time that jinn may be present with us?

A13. Jinn are frequently present at nightfall. We are recommended to bring our children indoor at the time of sunset.

We should even close the doors of our houses at that time. It was mentioned that jinn do not open a closed door at dusk time. We should mention the name of Allah. It was mentioned also that when an hour of the time goes by, we can let our children out.

Q14. Where is the headquarters of jinn?

A14. The main headquarters of jinn is on the sea. The chief shaitan gives orders to his soldiers to move to the land to advise people to do all types of crimes, immoralities, vulgarities and mischief.

Q15. Do the jinn feel envy of us?

A15. Yes. There are two types of evil eye: human and the jinn. One has to read regularly ‘Auzu Billahi Minash-shaitanir Rajeem. Also by reading Ayah Al-Kursi and Al-Mu‘awwazatain, one will be protected from the evil eyes of both the jinn and mankind.

Q16. Are there messengers and prophets from within the community of jinn?

A16. Yes. Allah has sent prophets and messengers to jinn from within the jinn community. Also, Allah sent Prophet Muhammad to mankind, to jinn, and to other creatures. In Surah Al-An‘am (The Cattle) Allah explains that He sent messengers to men and to jinn. See Qur‘an (6:130).

Q17. Do jinn have different religions, sects and denominations?

A17. In Surah Al-Jinn (Ch. 72) Allah informs us that some jinn accepted Islam, while others refused. Those who refused

have deviated, and developed for themselves different methods, different ways of life, and different religions, sects and denominations.

Q18. Are the jinn rewarded or punished for their actions, deeds and intentions?

A18. The jinn are rewarded or punished for their actions and intentions. One may read Qur'an (6:132), (41:25), (72:14-15), (55:46-47, and (41:24). Since they are given the choice to choose and to decide, therefore, they are responsible for all their deeds, actions and intentions. We do not know how they are rewarded or punished.

Q19. Do jinn marry and have children?

A19. Yes. Jinn do marry and they do have children. The way they marry is not known to us yet. We may be able to know in the future if Allah wants us to know.

People never knew about microbes, viruses, and the unseen micro creatures. Now we are able to know many things about their life cycles, their life duration, their methods of duplication or reproduction: sexually and asexually. The mere fact that we don't know how the jinn marry and reproduce does not negate their being married and reproduce. The Qur'an stipulates in Surah Al-Kahf (18:50) that they have offspring. Similarly, the Qur'an states in Surah Al-Rahman (55:56) that jinn and human beings never touched (married) the ladies of paradise.

Q20. Can human beings and jinn intermarry?

A20. Yes and no. It depends upon how one looks at it. It is a known fact in the Qur'an in Surah Al-Israa' (17:64) that

jinn may share with us our wealth and our children. The Hadith of the Prophet (pbuh) reconfirms this concept when he says that when a man has marital relationship with his wife, he should mention the name of Allah. He should seek refuge in Allah from the outcast shaitan. Otherwise, shaitan folds himself up in the man's urethra and shall have sex intercourse along with him.

Moreover, when a man goes to his wife while she is in her mense, shaitan precedes him. She shall conceive and will bring forth an effete person (Mukhannath). Such an effete is considered to be the child of the jinn.

Q21. Do jinn eat and drink? If yes, how?

A21. There are several positions towards this question. Some Muslim scholars say that jinn do not eat or drink. Some say that some jinn do eat and drink while others don't. The majority of Muslim scholars believe that jinn do eat and drink. They eat and drink from their mouth, but we don't know about the method of digestion, metabolism, perspiration, excretion and defecation.

The types of food that the jinn eat are anything and everything. Whatever human being eat they eat. Most important they eat with people. They share people's eating food without people's permission. Any person that starts eating without mentioning the name of Allah, jinn enjoy sharing that type of food with that person.

There is no limit for their satiety, and they don't feel satisfied. They will continue to eat with the people. The food therefore is not blessed, and is found to be not sufficient to the human being.

Where there is no food to eat, or even to share with people, they eat bones and dung.

Q22. Do jinn have animals as pets?

A22. Yes. Jinn do have animals or beasts of their own. The Prophet (pbuh) mentioned that every piece of dung is a fodder for the beasts of the jinn. However, we do not know what type of beasts the jinn have. The same thing is to be said as to the varieties of beasts, their number, their shape, their size, their weight and so on.

Q23. Do jinn have homes of their own?

A23. Yes. The jinn do have homes. They live all over the planet earth. However, there are special places that one may find them in abundance and on a regular basis. These are deserts, ruins, places of impurities such as dunghills, bathrooms and graveyards. They live in houses of human beings too. For those who enter their houses mentioning the name of Allah, the jinn cannot have a place to stay overnight in that house. They cannot eat also if people mention the name of Allah.

Q24. Do jinn have Da‘iyah to preach the message of Islam?

A24. Yes. Jinn have Da‘iyah to preach and to teach the message that was revealed upon Prophet Muhammad; namely, the religion of Islam. In both places in the Qur'an, Allah informs us about the presence of jinn Da‘iyah. These are Surah Al-Ahqaf (Winding Sand-Tracts) and Surah Al-Jinn.

Q25. Is it allowed in Islam to ask an ‘Arraf to get us information of the past and future from jinn?

A25. No. It is not permitted at all. After the Qur'an was revealed to Prophet Muhammad, no Muslim is authorized to talk to jinn and/or to request them for anything. Whoever does that, is committing a shirk.

Our communication is with Allah directly, and our source of guidance is the Qur'an and the Sunnah of the Prophet (pbuh).

Q26. Does shaitan create trouble in masjid?

A26. Yes. Shaitan tries his best to come to every masjid if possible. His coming is to create commotion and trouble among the Muslims.

When Muslims pray, they stand in straight lines. They should never leave gaps between any two individuals; otherwise, shaitan comes in and starts creating commotion (Fitnah).

Q27. Is it true that animals see jinn or angels?

A27. Yes. Animals do see angels and shaitan. When a rooster sees an angel, it starts crowing. However, when a donkey starts braying, it is seeing a jinn.

Q28. What is the relationship between shaitan and false menstruation?

A28. The Prophet (pbuh) informed us that false menstruation is an impulse from shaitan. It might be a metaphoric

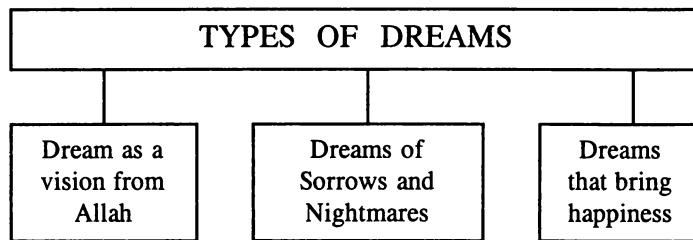
expression that the Prophet said at that time. We don't know much more than that.

Q29. Can shaitan come to us in our dreams?

A29. Yes. Shaitan can come to us in our dreams. Many have experienced nightmares, bedwetting, and unpleasant dreams. In this way shaitan tries his best to harm us in our dreams causing us sorrows and psychological troubles.

One must protect himself before sleeping by reading Ayah Al-Kursi and the two Surah of Al-Mu'awwazatain.

There are three types of dreams; please see the following diagram.



Q30. Do jinn have chemical composition in a similar way like human beings?

A30. We do not know the type of chemical composition. While human bodies were analyzed, the jinn's bodies cannot be

seen and cannot be caught to be analyzed. We do know, however, that they were made out of fire and smoke.

Q31. Is it true that shaitan is present when a child is born?

A31. Yes. The moment a child is born a special shaitan is assigned by the chief to be responsible for the newly born baby.

The jinn or shaitan acts as a Qareen or Qareena. The father is to read Azan to the right ear and Iqamah to the left ear. He should protect the baby regularly with reading Ayah Al-Kursi and the Mu'awwazatain.

Q32. Is it true that shaitan is present during marital relationship?

A32. Of course! That is the most exciting place, position and appearance for him. He tries to whisper to them to do all varieties of halal and haram activities while they are unaware of the situation. Muslim parents should cover themselves, read Qur'an Surah Al-Ikhlass and make a special Du'a' before having relationship.

Arabic Glossary

Abad	Eternity; without end.
'Ad	A tribe of people who lived in the southern part of Arabia after Noah. They were prosperous, but disobedient to Allah so He punished them with violent and destructive winds.
Adam	The name of the first man created by Allah.
Al-Baqarah	The Cow
Al-Jinn . .	The invisible beings. Some became believing Muslims while others refused and stayed as unbelievers -- mischievous, demons and harmful.
Allah	The proper name of God, the only one Who created the whole universe.
Al-An'aam	The cattle
Al-A'raaf; A'raf	The heights
Al-Falaq	The dawn
Al-Fatiha	The opening chapter of the Qur'an.

Al-Furqan	The criterion
Al-Ghafoor	Oft-forgiving; one of the ninety-nine names of Allah.
Al-Hijr	The rocky tract
Al-Imran	The family of Imran
Al-Israa'	The night journey
Al-Nahl	The bee
Al-Ma'idah	The table spread
Al-Mu'minun	The believers
Al-Naas	The mankind
Al-Nisaa'	The women
Al-Rawi/Al-Ruwat	Narrator(s) of the sayings (Hadith) of the Prophet; transmitters; reporters.
Al-Room, Al Rum	The Romans
Al-Saffat	Those ranged in ranks
Al-Shu'araa'	The poets
Al-Wadood	The Loving One
Al-Zariyat	The winds that scatter

A'raaf	It is the waiting station for those people who are not qualified to enter Paradise or to be dumped into Hell. They are to stay there till forgiveness is given to them through the Mercy of Allah.
Arafat	A place next to Makkah to be visited by pilgrims during Hajj for one whole day as part of the rituals of Hajj.
Ar-Rahim	The Compassionate; also, the Ever Merciful
Ar-Rahman	The Merciful; also, the most Merciful
Ash-shaitan	That particular satan, devil or fiend.
Ash-shayateen	It is the plural form of ash-shaitan.
Asr	The third daily prayer performed in the afternoon.
Asheerah	Tribe
'Awrah	Private organ, genitals or private parts of the body.
Ayah, Ayat	Verse; it is the true unit of the Qur'an. Ayat is plural.

Ba'th	It refers to the Day of Judgement. In specific it means the day people are recreated and resurrected to be judged.
Bay'ah	Agreement
Bismillah	In the name of Allah
Du'a'	Supplication; Muslims should make Du'a' directly to Allah without any intercession. Du'a' is the climax of worship asking Allah's forgiveness, guidance, mercy and blessings.
Eid	Festivity
Eve	The name of the first woman created by Allah; Adam's wife.
Fard	Obligatory
Fatiha	The opening chapter of the Qur'an. It is to be recited in the daily prayers.
Fi-sabeeillah	In the cause of Allah
Fussilat	Expounded; clearly spelled out.
Haajah	Special salat before going to sleep requesting Allah to give the person something that he needs desperately.

Hadith	Sayings of Prophet Muhammad, the plural of which is Ahadith.
Hajj	Pilgrimage to Makkah and its vicinities at least once in life. It is the fifth pillar of Islam. It is performed on the first ten days of the last lunar month of Zul Hijjah.
Halal	Lawful
Hameem . . .	Reckoning; the Day of Reckoning is when every person is judged with absolute justice by Allah.
Haram	Unlawful
Hayat	Life; it could be the life on this planet, in the grave or in the hereafter. The later life is the real and true life.
Hijrah	Migration; the Muslim era calendar; fleeing from sin; the Islamic calendar is recorded from the year of the migration of Prophet Muhammad from Makkah to Madinah.
Ibliss	Devil; satan
Ibn	Son

'Ifreet	Demons or devil ('afareet, plural); afreet, imp, cunning, crafty, malicious, mischievous, sly, wily.
Ijmaa'	Consensus
'Ilm	Knowledge
Imam	A religious leader as well as the person who leads Muslims in their prayers (salat).
Iman	Faith
Imra-ah/Nisaa'	A lady/women
Isha	Night, second twilight
Israfeel	One of the mighty angels whose main responsibility is to blow the trumpet twice for the re-creation of all mankind on the Day of Judgment.
Izraa-eel	He is a mighty angel whose main responsibility is to take the soul out of the human flesh.
Jaann (Al-Jaann)	Jinn; demons
Jahannam	One of the major names of hell.
Janna	To cover, hide, conceal, to become dark and night; to become possessed, insane, mad and crazy.

Jannah	Paradise
Jariya	Perpetual
Jibt	Divination; sorcery; magic or any false object of belief such as a statue of an idol.
Jinnah	The group as a whole of jinns is called jinnah; possessed by jinns.
Jinn	Creatures who have been created from smoke-fire. Some of them became Muslims while others are satanic. They cannot be seen but they see us. They have a role to play for us or against us.
Jumu‘ah	Friday
Kaahin	Soothsayer; augur; fortuneteller; the Arabic root for this word is the verb of kahana and takah-hana. It means to predict and to tell the future. Kaahin has another meaning too. A priest is known as a kahin, the plural of which is kahanah or kuh-haan.
Kalimah	It is the pledge of allegiance and loyalty of a Muslim to the Creator, Allah. It goes as follows: There is no one worthy of worship except Allah, and Muhammad is the messenger and servant of Allah.

Khutbah	A sermon mainly for the Friday prayer.
Kufr	Disbelief; infidelity; blasphemy; one who refuses the teachings of the Prophet Muhammad.
La'-Ilaha-'Ill-Allah	Kalimah. Declaration of Islamic Faith; none has the right to be worshipped but Allah (swt).
Lot, Lut . . .	Prophet of Allah whose followers were destroyed because they disobeyed the laws of Allah.
Madinah	The city of the Prophet in Arabian Peninsula. It is a holy city. It has the mosque and the tomb of the Prophet.
Majnoon	A person who became insane, possessed, crazy and mad.
Makkah	A holy city in Arabian Peninsula for pilgrimage. It has the Sacred Ka'bah.
Malak, Malaaiyah	Angel or angels; they are creatures made from light, while they see us we cannot see them.
Moosa	The prophet Moses

Munajjim	Astrologer, and its synonym is najjam. The plural of munajjim is munajjumoon.
Munkir	He is an angel whose responsibility along with another one (Nakeer) is to interrogate each person after he is laid down in the grave. His eyes are like pots, his teeth are like horns of steer and his voice is like a thunderstorm.
Mu'adh-dhin	A person who calls for prayer
Mubliseen	People plunged in despair (plural sense of mubliss).
Mublisoon	People in despair (subject of the verb Ablasa and also a plural form of mubliss).
Muhsinoon	Those who achieve highest degree of obedience to Allah; excellent ones.
Mujahidoon	Those who strive hard in the way of Allah and specially in the battle-fields.
Mukhlisoon	Those who are honest, sincere, and pure in their hearts and in their intention.
Mu'min	Believer

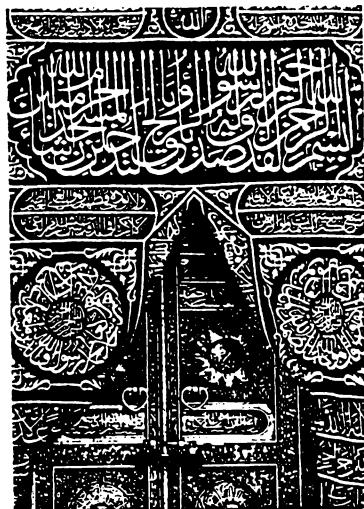
Mushrik	Those who make partners with Allah.
Musaafir	Traveller
Mustaghfiroon	Those who ask forgiveness from Allah.
Muttaqoon	God-consciencious people
Naar	Fire; it refers mainly to the fire of Hell.
Qur'an	The Holy Book of Islam to all creatures that Allah has created; it is a guide to Muslims, Christians, Jews, Pagans, and Atheists.
Rahmah	Mercy
Rijss	Unclean; filthy; dirty
Saad	An Arabic letter which may stand for Qasas -- stories (see chapter 38 of the Qur'an).
Sabbath	A period of rest; the seventh day of the week; the day set aside by Jews (Saturday) and some Christian sects (Sunday) as a day of rest and worship.
Sadaqah	Charity. Sadaqah could be money, a favor, a help or to refrain from doing harm to others.

Sahabah	A companion of the Prophet Muhammad.
Salat	Payer; it is a union between the creature and God. Muslims pray five times a day and congregate once a week especially on Friday.
Shaikh	A respectable man; a man of authority; a leader; a learned man.
Shaitan	Satan, the devil
Shaitaanann	A particular satan who sneaks around people to distract them from the straight way.
Shaitaanee	A person who acts in the same manner as a shaitan; satanic, devilish, demonic, hellish, etc.
Shayaateenihim	It reflects the possessive form of shaitan in its plural form.
Shajarah	It is a tree; it refers to the tree in Paradise that Adam and Eve ate from; hence they were ousted from Heaven to this planet.
Sharaab	Drinking different varieties of liquids or juices. It could be the drinking on this planet, drinking varieties of sharaab in Paradise or drinking the awful sharaab of Hell.

Shari'ah	Islamic jurisprudence
Shirk	One who worship others along with Allah (swt); Polytheism; idolatry; paganism.
Sirat-ul-Mustaqim	Religion of truth; the right path.
Shuhood/Shahid	Witnesses/witness
Sunnah	Tradition; here it is the teachings of the Prophet: sayings, hadith, life style, customs, habits, etc.
Surah	A chapter or portion of the Qur'an is called Surah.
SWT	Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala (Glory be to Allah, and He is the High)
Tafseer	Explanation of the Qur'an. Such explanation should be directly from the Qur'an or from the Prophet himself. Personal opinions about the Qur'an to be considered Tafseer is rejected in Islam.
Taha; Ta Ha	Chapter 20 of the Qur'an; the mystic letters Ta Ha which means "O man;" also, one of the names of the Prophet Muhammad.

Tawbah	Repentance; a special salat requesting Allah to forgive that person from mistakes made and promising Allah not to do it again; the title of the 9th chapter of the Qur'an.
'Ulama'	Scholars in Islamic laws (Shari'ah)
Ummah	The community of Islam throughout the world and history till the Day of Judgement.
Wakeel	Agent; representative; deputy
Waliy	Guardian
Yublisu	To be struck dumb with despair (verb, present tense).
Zafir	The groan or noise of Hell
Zakat	The fourth pillar of Islam; it is a type of obligatory payment of money to the needs of the society. It is 2.5%, 5%, 10%, or 20% depending upon the commodity.
Zalimeen	Transgressors
Zaqoom	A tree with exceedingly bitter and dreadful fruit.
Zina	Adultery

Zuhr	Noon, meridian; the mid-noon prayer; it is the second prayer among the five daily prayers.
Zul Hijjah	The twelfth month in a lunar year; it is the month of pilgrimage to Makkah.



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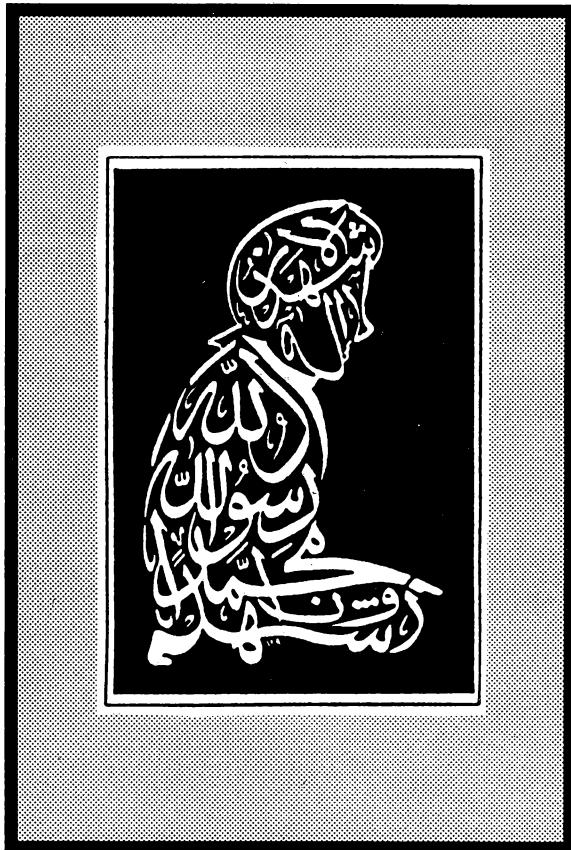
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Appendix

List of Ayat About Ibliss

Surah Name	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
Al-Baqarah	The Cow	2:34
Al-An-'Am	The Cattle	6:44
Al-A'raaf	The Heights	7:11
Al-Hijr	The Rocky Tract	15:31, 32
Al-Israa'	The Night Travel	17:61
Al-Kahf	The Cave	18:50
Taha	Ta Ha	20:116
Al-Mu'minoon	The Believers	23:77
Al-Shu'araa'	The Poets	21:95
Al-Room	The Romans	30:49
Saba'	Sheba	34:20
Saad	Saad	38:74, 75
Al-Zukhruf	The Gold Adornments	43:75

List of Ayat About Shaitan/Shayateen

Surah Name	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
Al-Baqarah	The Cow	2:14, 36, 102, 168, 208, 268, 275
Al-Imran	The Family of Imran	3:36, 155, 175
Al-Nisaa'	The Women	4:38, 60, 76, 83, 117, 119, 120
Al-Maidah	The Table Spread	5:90, 91
Al-An 'Am	The Cattle	6:43, 68, 71, 112, 121, 142
Al-A'raf	The Heights	7:20, 22, 27, 30, 175, 200, 201
Al-Anfal	The Booty	8:11, 48
Yusuf	Joseph	12:5, 42, 100
Ibrahim	Abraham	14:22
Al-Hijr	The Rocky Tract	15:17
Al-Nahl	The Bees	16:63, 98
Al-Israa'	The Night Travel	17:27, 53, 64
Al-Kahf	The Cave	18:63
Mariam	Mary	19:44, 45, 68, 83
Taha	T.H.	20:120

List of Ayat About Shaitan/Shayateen (continued)		
Name of Surah	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
Al-Anbiyaa'	The Prophets	21:82
Al-Hajj	The Pilgrimage	22:3, 52, 53
Al-Mu'minoon	The Believers	23:97
Al-Noor	The Light	24:21
Al-Furqan	The Criterion	25:29
Al-Shu'araa'	The Poets	26:210
Al-Naml	The Ants	27:24
Al-Qasass	The Narrations	28:15
Al-'Ankaboot	The Spider	29:38
Luqman	Luqman	31:21
Fatir	The Originator of Creation	35:6
Yaseen	Ya-seen	36:60
Al-Saaffaat	Those Ranged in Ranks	37:7, 65
Saad	Saad	38:37, 41
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Zukhruf	The God Adornments	43:36, 62
Muhammad	Muhammad	47:25

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Name of Surah	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
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Al-Hashr	The Mustering	59:16
Al-Mulk	The Sovereign	67:5
Al-Takweer	The Folding Up	81:25

List of Ayat About Jinn

Surah Name	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
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Al-A'raaf	The Heights	7:38, 179
Al-Israa'	The Night Travel	17:88
Al-Kahf	The Cave	18:50
Al-Naml	The Ants	27:17, 39
Saba'	Sheba	34, 12, 14, 41
Fussilat	Expounded	41:25, 29
Al-Ahqaf	The Winding Sand Tracts	46:18, 29
Al-Zariyaat	The Winds That Scatter	51:56

List of Ayat About Jinn (continued)

Name of Surah	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
Al-Rahman	The Most Merciful	55:33
Al-Jinn	The Jinn	72:1, 5, 6

List of Ayat About Majnoon

Surah Name	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
Al-Hijr	The Rocky Tract	15:6
Al-Shu‘araa’	The Poets	26:27
Al-Saaffaat	Those Ranged in Ranks	37:36
Al-Dukhan	The Smoke	44:14
Al-Zariyaat	The Winds That Scatter	51:39, 52
Al-Toor	The Mount	52:29
Al-Qamar	The Moon	54:9
Al-Qalam	The Pen	68:2, 51
Al-Takweer	The Folding Up	81:22

List of Ayat About Jannah

Surah Name	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
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Hood	Hud	11:119
Al-Mu'minoon	The Believers	23:25, 70
Al-Sajdah	The Prostration	32:13
Saba'	Sheba	34:8, 46
Al-Saaffaat	Those Ranged in Ranks	37:158
Al-Naass	The Mankind	114:6

List of Ayat About Jaann*

Surah Name	Translation	Surah/Ayah No.
Al-Hijr	The Rocky Tract	15:27
Al-Naml	The Ants	27:10
Al-Qasass	The Narrations	28:31
Al-Rahman	The Most Merciful	55:15, 39, 56, 74

*Jaann is a derivative of Jinn.